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GARTHWAITE'S CHANCELESS DISPLAY FOR 97

Army Stage Remarkable
Recovery.

INTERESTING FINISH ASSURED.

Magnificent batting by Lt. Garthwaite, who gave no chances in his innings of 97, was the feature of to-day's play in the Triangular Tournament game between the Army and the Navy, and which placed the Army in a very satisfactory position after lunch.

The Army, who caused a sensation by defeating the formidable Club eleven by 7 runs in the first game of the series, failed dismally in the opening stages of their game against the Navy. After capturing 7 wickets for 68 runs the Army were confronted by a total of 196 in their first innings, and were forced to follow on 110 runs in arrears.

At 2.15 p.m. this afternoon they led by 98 runs with four second innings wickets in hand. With the possibility of setting the Navy 120 to win an interesting finish should be witnessed with the odds favouring the Army.

Commencing play at noon to-day the Army required 29 runs to save the innings defeat, and at lunch had established a lead of 61 runs with six wickets in hand.

Garthwaite batted superbly for his runs, never giving the slightest cause for anxiety. When four short of his century he cocked one up from Yates, and had added only a single to his score when he was brilliantly taken by Jemmett at mid on off Yates in the same over. From the pavilion it looked as if the ball had touched the ground before entering Jemmett's hands, but the umpire gave the fieldman the credit for a splendid catch.

Included in Garthwaite's innings were twelve boundaries and a six off Jemmett. Garthwaite has enjoyed a most successful week's cricket his bowling feats being as follows:

	O.	M.	R.	W.
v. Hong Kong C.C.	12	5	22	8
	18	2	47	3
v. Royal Navy	24	9	56	6

	54	16	125	17
He hit scores of 17 and 11 against the Club and followed this up with 16 and 97 against the Navy.				

Army—2nd Innings.

Lt.-Col. Maraden, c Shaw, b Jemmett	19
Capt. Mirehouse, st. Shaw, b Yates	38
Lt. Garthwaite, c Jemmett b Yates	97
Lt. Cragg, b Yates	11
L/Cpl. Colledge l.b.w. b Thompson	12
Cpl. Dewery l.b.w. b Yates	18
Cpl. Davies, not out	5
Sig. Chaffey, not out	8
Extras (B. 10.)	10

Total (for 6 wks.) 208
Fall of the wickets:—1 for 29, 2 for 71, 3 for 99, 4 for 132, 5 for 178, 6 for 198.

Army All Out

The Army innings closed for 233 (Yates 4 for 47). The Navy have lost 2 wickets for 17 runs. Garthwaite taking both wickets.

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Leo Trotsky, the Bolshevik of unenviable repute, after four years' exile, on his way to Copenhagen where he lectured to Danish Socialists. Trotsky and his wife in the train en route from Esbjerg (on the West coast of Denmark) to Copenhagen on November 23.—(S. & G.)

NATIONS JOIN UNION TO AID POOR PEOPLES

Convention Includes 27
Governments.

POOLING OF RESOURCES.

London, To-day.
Twenty-seven countries have so far acceded to the Convention creating an International Relief Union.

Its object is to provide relief in money and kind and to co-ordinate relief works in respect of public misfortunes due to a force of circumstance which exceeds the limits of the powers or resources of the stricken people.

The Convention came into operation at Geneva on December 27. For its principal resources, the Union will depend on donations and bequests and public contributions, with an initial fund of 420,000 Swiss Francs contributed by the state members.—British Wireless Service.

Veteran Nazi Resigns

Senior Of Reichstag
Leaves House.

Berlin, To-day.
General Leitzmann, a Nazi leader, 84 years of age, has resigned his seat in the Reichstag, of which he was senior member. He will remain a member of the Nazi party and the Prussian Diet.

It is not likely that there is any great significance attached to his resignation, though latterly there has been a serious cleavage in the ranks of the "Nazi Cabinet," which Herr Hitler the target for strong criticism. A number of his closest allies of other times resigned from office.—Reuter.

ITALY CLAIMS A PLANE RECORD.

Altitude Mark For
Tourist Seaplane.

Rome, To-day.
A height of 8,200 metres, reached by a 170 horsepower Fiat seaplane, is claimed as a new world record for tourist seaplanes.
The international altitude record is held by Great Britain at 18,404 metres.—Reuter.

RESTRICTIONS IN EXCHANGE HURT TRADE

Britain Examines
Her Position.

OWED LARGE AMOUNTS.

London, To-day.

The effect of exchange restrictions on South American trade is engaging the serious attention of British commercial circles.

Following a conference on the subject, under the chairmanship of Sir Frederick Leith-Ross at the Board of Trade last week, which was attended by representatives of commerce, industry and finance, the Association of Chambers of Commerce and the Federation of British Industries circulated their members that with a view to ascertaining the total amount awaiting remittance from certain countries of Central and South America to the United Kingdom which had been held up owing to the exchange control.—Reuter.

Franco-German Trade Pact

Nations Considering
Fresh Plans.

Paris, To-day.

Texts of two Franco-German trade agreements have been published, and a third is fore-shadowed.

The first modifies the Convention of 1927. The main provisions are that present tariffs can be modified at a fortnight's notice and application of the most favoured nation clause may be restricted.

The second agreement creates a Franco-German office in Paris to settle exchange and transfer difficulties.—Reuter.

LONDON - BRIGHTON ELECTRIC LINK.

Speedy Trains To
Start Sunday.

London, To-day.

The Lord Mayor of London and Lady the Mayoress will open the Southern Railway's new electrified line from London to Brighton tomorrow. The new service for which luxuriously equipped coaches have been built, will operate from Sunday.

New trains, each costing £35,000, will accomplish the London-Brighton journey of 60 miles non-stop in 60 minutes.—British Wireless Service.

Canada's Premier On Liner When Seaman Lost In Storm

New York, To-day.

With the arrival of the big liner Majestic, it was revealed that a seaman was fatally injured and two cooks almost drowned when the crew's scullery was wrecked by a gigantic wave which struck the ship on Friday last.

The Majestic was fighting her way through a particularly heavy sea and a gale was blowing aloft. The decks were deserted. Green water washed over her fore-deck. Suddenly, rising to mountainous size, a mighty comber swept upon her. She shuddered to the impact. A bulkhead was smashed, various deck equipment damaged and the crew's galley was flooded.

MINES MAY SELL TO WHOLE WORLD

ABANDONMENT OF GOLD
STANDARD BLAMED

OPPOSITION COALITION LIKELY

CAPETOWN, TO-DAY.

THE SITUATION IN SOUTH AFRICA IS GROWING MORE GRAVE. OWING TO THE FACT THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS RELIEVED THE RESERVE BANK OF THE NECESSITY OF PAYING FOR NOTES IN GOLD, THE CHAMBER OF MINES, CONTROLLED BY THE RAND PRODUCERS, THREATENS TO OFFER ITS COMMODITY TO WORLD PURCHASE.

By the virtual abandonment of the gold standard, the Government has terminated the agreement with Rand producers whereby they bargained to sell all their gold to the Reserve Bank, the Chamber of Mines submits.

Meanwhile, the political horizon is darkening. A coalition Opposition is rising and General Smuts and Mr. Tielman Roos may unite their respective parties to defeat the present administration.

Mines' Ultimatum.

Johannesburg, To-day.

It is understood that the Chamber of Mines will no longer sell gold to the Reserve Bank and regards itself as free to sell to the world market, following the Government's action which Rand producers contend has cancelled the agreement for the sale of gold to the Reserve Bank. But there is a possibility of a new agreement being reached whereby the supply will be continued. This development created a profound sensation here.—Reuter.

While Mr. Tielman Roos' speech at Johannesburg virtually offered to lead an anti-Government coalition, General Smuts in a speech at Germiston, wishing Mr. Roos luck, and rallying the Nationalists to his banner, said he thought there was at present such a potential combination of forces as would be capable of driving out the Government.

According to Mr. Tielman Roos, however, General Smuts, while assenting to the possibility of a combination of parties, explains it must be on such a basis as would not impair the strength of the South African Party.

Meanwhile, a bewildering money situation is clarifying itself after some hours of groping in the dark. Business men sum up the position as follows: South Africa has abandoned the gold standard, but the Government has decided not to link the South African pound with sterling or devalue the currency.

There were few transactions yesterday at the banks which adopted Saturday's gold rate. It is generally felt the rate will move nearer to sterling's level.

Mr. Havenga, Minister of Finance, told Reuter:

"We are virtually off the gold-standard. The banks must quote exchange on the new basis."

Banks have refused to sell foreign exchange except for the smallest amounts.

Gold shares advanced steadily. The market was busier than at any time since Britain abandoned the gold standard.

London's Interest.

London, To-day.

Great interest was displayed on the London Stock Exchange yesterday in the developments which took place the previous night, following a meeting of the South African Cabinet at Pretoria.

A communication issued by the Treasury in Pretoria stated that in consequence of the political situation there had been an abnormal purchase of exchange and withdrawal of gold coin for hoarding. In response to representations made to the Government that in order to avoid a crisis it was essential that immediate steps be taken to protect the country's gold and exchange resources, the Government agreed to relieve the Reserve Bank of the responsibility of redeeming notes in gold.

Commenting on the announcement in an interview, Finance Minister Havenga stated the Union was now virtually off gold, banks would have rates for exchange operations, and internal gold circulation would cease.

The country, he added, was really on a regulated gold exchange basis.

South African mining shares on the London Stock Exchange were marked down, but there was little selling.—British Wireless Service.

BULGARIA CABINET QUITS OFFICE.

No Crisis Expected In
Capital.

Sofia, To-day.

The Cabinet has resigned but no crisis is expected as a result, nor any change in regime.

King Boris has consulted all party leaders and it is generally expected Mouchanoff will be asked to form a cabinet, with the support of those groups which formed the retiring Government.—Reuter.

NUDISTS PLAN OLYMPIC MEET IN HONG KONG

Shanghai Paper Has
Amazing Report.

NEW MODE IN SPORT.

Hong Kong is to be the venue of the Nudist Olympic games, according to a despatch published in the Shanghai Times, which states:

"History is in the making in Hong Kong, we learn from a despatch received from the Colony through Chinese sources yesterday. The Colony is to be the venue of Nudist Olympics."

"Followers of the popular European cult do not give out the time, or place, of the proposed meeting of unclothed athletes, but somewhere in the Ritz Colony, in the near future, a force of true-believers intends to see how many world records it can break aided by the absence of obstructive singlets and shorts," says the Times.

"The events for women will necessarily be limited for, so far, only two members of the gentler sex have plucked up sufficient courage to join this new society which is stated to have a membership of 115, of whom 80 per cent. are non-Chinese."

"The Society is going strong," the despatch from Hong Kong states. It appears that instead of enthusiasm diminishing with the approach of winter, it is as strong as ever. With the introduction of two Chinese girls into the Society it also appears that modern Chinese girls have decided that they should no longer be bound by the teachings of the sage Mencius that a man must look downward when he enters a household.

"Lessons taught by those controlling the Society include dancing, swimming, and athletics in general. One of the conditions of membership is that members shall cast aside all bad thoughts. Offenders are threatened with instant dismissal."

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PRETTY WEDDING OF INTEREST.

Mr. Philippens Weds
Miss Witchell.

AT ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.

A pretty wedding of much local interest was solemnised at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon this afternoon, when Miss Elizabeth Maude Witchell, second daughter of the late Mr. R. C. Witchell and Mrs. Witchell, of Hong Kong, became the bride of Mr. Adolphe Ghislain Philippens, of the Orient Tobacco Manufacturing, youngest son of the late Professor M. W. Philippens and Mrs. Philippens, of Antwerp, Belgium. The Vicar, the Rev. W. Walton Rogers, M. A., officiated at the ceremony, while Mr. R. H. A. Woolley presided at the Organ.

Entering the Church on the arm of her uncle, Mr. G. B. Witchell, the bride looked charming in a dress of white satin and French lace. She wore an embroidered tulle veil with pearl cap and orange blossom, and carried a sheaf of pale pink gladioli. The Misses May and Dorothy Witchell, sisters of the bride, as bridesmaids, wore dresses of shell pink and lavender georgette respectively. They wore lace capes, capes and mittens, and carried sheaves of mixed gladioli.

The bride's mother, Mrs. Witchell, attended in a charming ensemble of navy blue crepe-de-chine.

Mr. W. Saenger, discharged the duties of best man.

A largely attended reception was subsequently held, and the happy couple are spending their honeymoon in Europe. The bride's travelling dress is an ensemble of black and white satin.



The Woman's Page



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Soviet Children's Health Guarded

Mothers Grateful To The Government

DIVORCE IS BAD FORM

The sunbeams of the Neva Children's Theatre, where they can act their own plays. Significant of the new passion for physical culture in Soviet Russia. What a paradise for Mr. Lansbury to see these Lidos full to overflowing and the sun a constant factor for a few months in the year! Tiny children bathe and sun-bathe there quite naked; boys and girls with the minimum of costume, writes a correspondent to the London News Chronicle.

Culture and physical fitness have become almost a religion in Moscow and strenuous efforts are made to catch and train the young generation in new methods of hygiene and in new ideas of culture and efficiency. Moscow takes great pride in her Parks of Rest and Culture. There are four or five outside the city providing sports grounds and swimming pools.

An impressive feature of these Parks is the Children's Townlet, where parents may leave their children to be cared for and fed for a whole day at a cost roughly equivalent to ninnepence. For adults there are lectures, concerts and free literature in the winter: sports, music and chess in the summer.

Guarding Against Infection.

The Townlet, comprising several small buildings surrounded by a garden, caters for children between the ages of four and seven, and to guard against infection each child is medically examined as he comes in. His clothes are taken away and he wears nothing but a pair of shorts. The Townlet provides three meals. It has wash-basins and shower baths, and children are taught by bright posters on the walls how to wash, how to use the shower bath and take care of their bodies.

Qualified assistants teach them music, dancing, games, eurhythmics and modelling. And there is a

Children's Theatre, where they can act their own plays.

Youthful Gardeners.

The garden, was planted with flowers and vegetables and little boys and girls bronzed with the sun were watering the plants in the early evening. They learnt a few simple facts about the type of soil suitable for their small crops.

The Government desires to educate its children from their earliest years and has firm faith in first impressions in the up-bringing of Communists. Nevertheless, the woman in charge of the Townlet, judging from her face, was wise and reasonable and there was every evidence from the way the children spontaneously ran up and threw their arms round her (and she was of no mean girth) that they were genuinely attached to her.

Russian children may work in factories at 16 years of age, but they may not work at first for more than four hours daily, the remaining time being spent on education. A girl who showed us round a textile factory told us that she had begun work as an unskilled worker and that she was now a deputy-director of the factory.

Health Propaganda.

On every hand Russia is putting out propaganda and health instruction. When we visited the Marriage and Divorce Bureau we saw a young man and girl being married by a woman registrar. The ceremony cost, I believe, two roubles. In the North of Russia the minimum age for marriage is 18; in the South, where the population develops more rapidly 16.

In the adjoining room, posters on the wall set out in the frankest possible way hygienic rules for married life. Ignorance is almost a sheer impossibility. Statistics and facts are given on sex diseases, information on birth control and consultations provided for expectant mothers. There is every inducement to bring healthy children into the world and the medical information, if blatant, is given so that the most ignorant levels of society may be reached by picture, diagram and statistics.

There is a corner in this room devoted to the evils of vodka drinking, to statistics of still-born and unhealthy babies in drunken families, to tuberculosis and to common methods of spreading disease. How reliable their statistics were, we had no means of judging, but there is, no doubt, a great campaign afoot to bring up the level of physical fitness very sharply in this generation.

Divorce—For Two Roubles. Either party may sue for a divorce, which is granted on grounds of incompatibility, the cost again being two roubles; the other party may be informed by a postcard by the next mail! Nevertheless, I was told that divorce is not considered good form among Communists.

It is a *sine qua non* that Communists must be serious persons,



DOLL'S HOUSE ON DISPLAY.

Beautiful Model For Sale At Sincere's.

A delightful Doll's House is being displayed on the 2nd floor of the Sincere Company, Ltd. It is the work of a local man and has been his hobby for the past two years. The workmanship is truly excellent and the intricate interior decoration call for genuine admiration.

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and top many divorces would hardly lend countenance to the idea. In cases of divorce, joint provision is made for the children who are left with their mother unless she has proved to be an impossible parent.

Safeguarding the Children.

The Soviet law on marriage aims primarily at safeguarding children and protecting the unborn generation. No person who is adjudged to be weak-minded or insane is permitted to marry. An unmarried mother can claim support for her child from its father until the child is 18 years of age, and there is little chance for parents to evade the joint responsibility of providing for their children.

I asked one Russian woman rather tentatively how she liked the new regime. Her reply seemed to sum up the situation. "The Government is very good to the children," she said.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.

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Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

A Menu For Dinner.

Italian Casserole
Baked Sweet Potatoes
Ice Box Rolls Grape Jelly
Supreme Cabbage Salad
Sliced Bananas Sugar Cookies

Coffee
Italian Casserole, Serving 6.
3 cups cooked macaroni
4 tablespoons butter
6 tablespoons flour
3 cups tomatoes
2/3 cup grated cheese
1 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
2 tablespoons chopped onions
2 tablespoons chopped peppers
2 tablespoons chopped celery
Melt butter and add flour. Blend and add tomatoes, cook until creamy sauce forms. Stir constantly. Add rest of ingredients, pour into buttered baking dish. Bake 30 minutes in moderate oven.

Supreme Cabbage Salad.
1 package lemon-flavoured gelatine mixture
1 1/4 cups boiling water
4 tablespoons vinegar
1/3 cup sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 cups chopped cabbage
1 cup diced apricots
Pour water over gelatine mixture, stir until dissolved. Add vinegar, sugar and salt. Cool. Add rest of ingredients. Pour into mould, chill until stiff.

Ice Box Rolls.
1 cake compressed yeast
4 tablespoons lukewarm water
1 1/4 cups water
2/3 cup fat
1/2 cup sugar
1 teaspoon salt
2 eggs
5 cups flour

Crumble yeast, add lukewarm water. Heat water to boiling and add fat. Let stand until lukewarm. Add to yeast mixture. Add sugar, salt and eggs. Beat three minutes. Add 1/2 the flour, beat two minutes. Add rest of flour. Mix well, place in greased bowl. Grease top, cover tightly. Store in ice box. When rolls are desired, break off bits of dough, shape as desired, place on greased baking sheets. Cover with a cloth. Let set in moderately warm place until rolls double in size. It will require about three hours. Bake 15 minutes in moderate oven.



CORNER CUPBOARD.

The 'corner cupboard' which opens awkwardly on to the staircase can frequently be made into the most attractive ornament by removing the door and painting the inside walls with some gay-coloured or gleaming paint. High up inside must be hung a light which reflects downwards from mirrors on to a few pieces of china or glass arranged on plate-glass shelves. The lamp can be coloured to suit the scheme, and the whole will prove most cheerful especially on the many staircases which are dark during the daylight hours.

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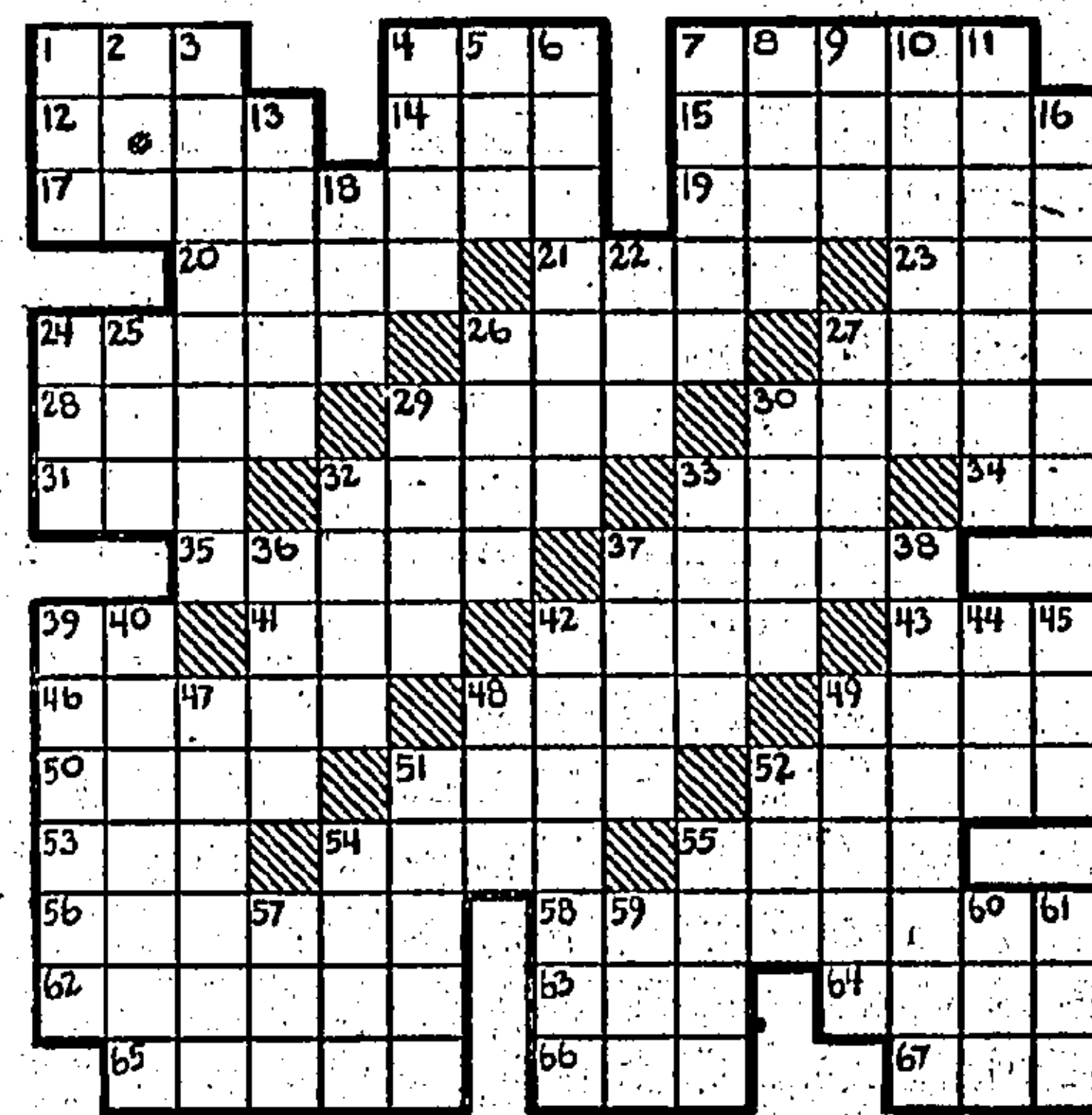
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

1-Away
4-Mineral spring
7-Rescued
12-Girl's name
14-A metal
15-Girl's name
17-Waste water
19-A single term (Alg.)
20-To dig up
21-Assemble
23-Sly (Var.)
24-Heavenly body
26-Hard part of the body
27-Molt
28-Mimicked
29-Debar
30-Gaze fixedly
31-Half a score
32-Heart of anything
33-A beverage
34-Secretary of State (abbr.)
35-Plural of that
37-Those who foretell
38-Near
41-An insect
42-Walk
43-Jump
46-Idle talk

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

48-Small particle
49-Narrow thoroughfare
50-Evergreen tree
51-To shear
52-Window glasses
53-Prefix. Upon
54-White
55-Cholera
56-Girl's name
58-Formal compact between nations
62-School book
63-Age
64-Wither
65-Tilt
66-Sleep, as flask
67-River in Poland

VERTICAL

1-Uneven
2-Preparation
3-Small part
4-Pierce
5-Small hog
6-A flower
7-Meaning
8-Man's name
9-Spirit
10-Man's name
11-Those who use dial

VERTICAL (Cont.)

13-Ventilated
16-Omits in writing
18-Fruit of a tree
22-Conjunction
24-Feline animal
25-Open (Poet.)
26-Barrow
27-Chief actor
29-Mislead
30-Percolate
32-Geometrical figure
33-Abound
35-Deplete
37-Cane
38-Mute
39-To come into view
40-Tribles
42-Toller
44-Unit
45-Foot-like organ
47-Beast
48-A beverage
49-Endure
51-Map
52-A vegetable
54-Song bird
55-Cooked
57-Girl's name
58-Fish eggs
60-Epoch
61-Japanese coin

(The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle, will appear in to-morrow's issue.)

OVER STOCK SALE

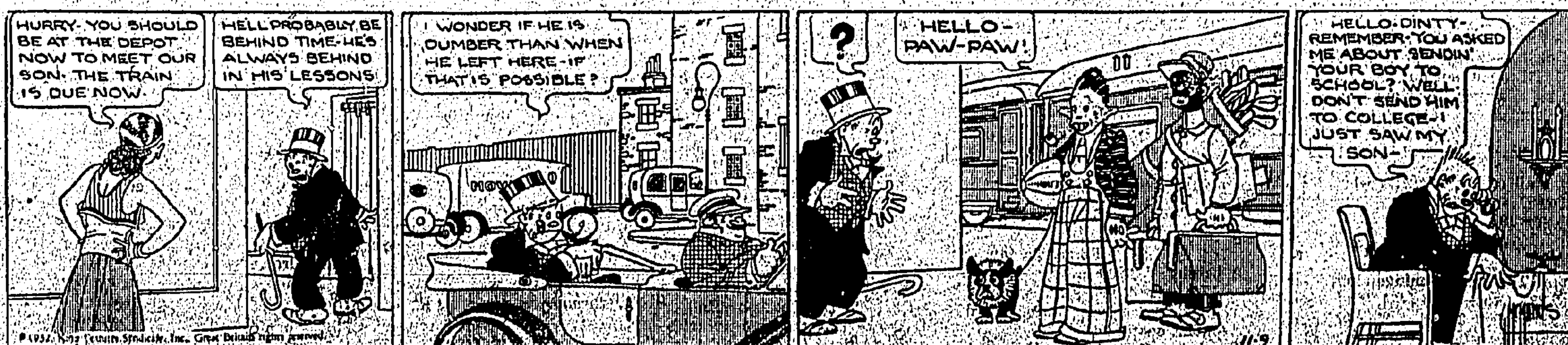
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THE MOTORISTS' PAGE



MEDICAL MEN AND MOTORISTS.

Pathological Cause Of Accidents.

Paris.

A committee to investigate the pathological causes of motoring accidents on the public highways of France has been named by Justin Godart, Minister of Public Health.

Such accidents, M. Godart points out, constitute a growing danger to the population, and they often are said to be due to some physical or mental weakness of the man at the wheel.

Heavy Meals.

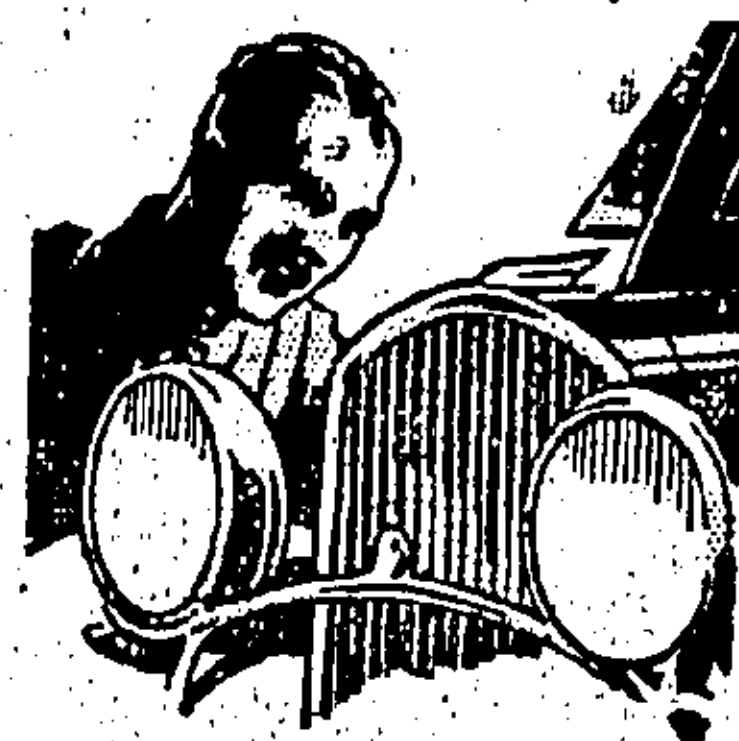
"The heavy meals and the libations of Sunday outings," the Minister observes, "are to a certain degree responsible. But allowance must also be made for the slight disturbance of mental equilibrium which is common and which is augmented by the sensation of speed, the excitement of passing other cars and other incidents of driving an automobile. Moreover, the fatigue of long hours at the wheel weakens, and even annihilates the attention and the reflexes."

Several leading medical men have agreed to serve on the committee. They will have the expert assistance of Baron Petiet, president of the Chamber of Automobile Constructors; Viscount de Rohan, president of the Automobile Club of France; and Edmond Chaix, president of the Touring Club of France.

SCENTED CARS FOR WOMEN.

At least one car dealer has the interior of new cars faintly sprayed with perfume every morning. The idea is frankly intended to attract the woman customer. The dealer in question believes that the attraction of a car is enhanced if olfactory appeal is added to visual appeal.

A correspondent considers the idea is capable of extension in connection with motoring. Consider petrol, for instance. It has a persistent odour, which varies in unpleasantness with the brand. Leaving out the enthusiasts, to whom the odour of petrol is more pleasant than the most exquisite perfume that ever filled the nostrils of mankind, it is obvious that car users would prefer to use a petrol of pleasant aroma rather than the ordinary spirit.



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BETTER MECHANICAL BALANCE

To a casual observer it may seem that the striking difference between the cars of 1923 and the 1933 models which are already appearing is due to steady yearly improvements. This view is to some extent correct, but closer investigation shows clearly that year by year, various components have had a much larger share of the limelight than have others. There are, in short, fashions in new developments just as in every other department of human activity.

One year four-wheel braking is discussed and developed almost to the exclusion of all other parts of a car; this was in 1923, writes a contributor to the "Motor." For one or two successive years designers and the public remained actively interested in braking, but, in the meantime, other champions held the field: witness the balloon-tyre developments of 1924. Naturally, it takes longer than a year for new features such as these to become generally adopted and to be refined into a wholly suitable form so that one change overlaps another.

All the while steady and valuable work is proceeding upon the improvement of other components, so that in practically every part each year's "model" is to some extent better than its predecessor. Such changes, being gradual, do not always receive the appreciation which they deserve; an outstanding example is found in the literally enormous advance in engine performance which has occurred, gradually, during the ten-year period under review.

A glance backwards through the years will help to elucidate the steps which have led us from the serviceable but relatively elementary cars of 1923 to the highly developed productions now being announced; we may also find ourselves able to make a shrewd guess at the trend of current and future changes.

First Improvements.

The four-wheel-brake introduction of 1923-24 and the balloon-tyre phase which over-lapped them rendered essential changes and improvements in steering gears and springing systems; this trend has continued up to the present time and has not yet finished by any means. Wheel wobble became troublesome, was vanquished and reappeared later when road speeds increased—only to be overcome once again. The well-base rim appeared and endured.

"Show-to-Show" Period.

The next "Show-to-Show" period (1925-26) was mainly notable for the real commencement of the saloon car fashion; from that time onwards the proportion of closed cars sold increased rapidly at the expense of tourers. Whereas an open model had previously always cost less than a saloon, the price difference began to shrink, eventually to disappear. Furthermore, makers of small chassis found that they had to list a saloon model in cases where previously only a tourer was offered.

The box-like saloon was soon found to amplify all chassis noises to an alarming extent, matched only by its ability to rovebrate in sympathy with mechanical vibrations.

Designers concentrated on the problem, and an important result was the development of low-priced six-cylinder cars; the "better" mechanical balance and smoother torque obtained with a larger number of cylinders relieved the body noise problem. In 1926 there were no fewer than 26 new six-cylinder chassis at Olympia; the trend continued and within a few years the "Six"—previously found only in expensive cars—became thoroughly

established for cars of medium price. Other chassis trends of the 1926-27 period were towards lower frames and quieter gears; both prompted by the success of the saloon.

Rigid-Frame System.

Examining the 1927-28 period we find coachwork again to the fore. The fabric-covered body was seen everywhere, both the Weymann flexible type and the rigid-frame system being well represented. However, while fabric held the field in Europe, America was rapidly acquiring the knowledge necessary for building a body economically from steel pressings, finished in cellulose.

At that time, too, modern features such as the single-frame windscreen, unapplanter glass and sliding roofs began really to attract wide-spread attention.

Chassis changes were less obvious, but included the more general use of coil ignition, rear tanks, servo brakes and one-shot lubrication, apart from the continued six-cylinder engine trend and (in America) concurrent development of "eights."

BARTERING REVIVED IN KANSAS CITY.

Trading Spares For Gasoline.

Kansas City.

A comparatively recent development in the ancient art of barter is going by the board in Kansas City. Filling station attendants are refusing to trade gasoline for wrenches, spare tyres, earrings, umbrellas, or what have you.

The reason is that those who run filling stations must settle for their gasoline in cash, whereas a bride, a pair of pliers or a framed picture represents a slow—sometimes a frozen—asset.

All these articles and more, said one attendant who had "quit the pawnshop business," had been taken in at his station at one time or another.

Not only penniless tourists who found themselves stranded far from their destinations, but nearby residents hard pressed to keep family cars rolling left goods "in hock" or made permanent exchanges, he said.

Accessories from cars went, first, apparently, then less essential bric-a-brac from the home if need be.

Floor lamps, watches, flashlights, rings, beads, lavallieres and other knick-knacks have been in his second-hand stock, awaiting redemption or conversion into cash.

PREPARATION OF HOLIDAY EQUIPMENT.

With Christmas near, and with the happy prospect of holidays to come, many car owners are making plans for their vacations, and are giving their vehicles a general "vetting" in readiness for the annual tour. A profitable and interesting manner in which the motorist can occupy some of his spare time during the next few weeks is in the overhauling and manufacture of camping equipment.

If he desires to be economical he can for trifling sums procure the material for making many items of equipment. Folding tables, partitioned picnic boxes, drip safes, and other utensils can all be produced in the home workshop by the ingenious amateur.

THERMOSTAT FOR COOLING CAR.

Feature Of New Austin "Twenty."

The Austin Twenty, with the announcement of this programme, enters upon its 14th year of continuous production—a record which surely must be unique in motoring annals.

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Thermostat Control.

The provision of thermostat control for the cooling system is one which should improve performance, and the bright chromium-plated Biflex lamps heighten the effect of the tasteful colours.

The Whitehall saloon (on the short wheelbase chassis), a five-seater model for fast touring, is retained; it incorporates the thermostat cooling control, and is fitted with chromium plated lamps.

Both the Ranelagh and the Whitehall now have a new pressed-steel luggage carrier of convenient design and elegant appearance.

AUSTINS LEAD THE EXPORT TRADE.

Sales In China Trebled Since Last Year.

More Austins are exported than any other British make of car, and orders from overseas, following the recent announcement of the new Austin programme, have been numerous that production has been taxed to the utmost to keep up with demand. Recently, for instance, almost 300 Austins were exported.

In Calcutta, Ceylon and the Malay States, more cars of Austin manufacture are sold than of any other make.

In Portugal, for which figures are just to hand, the number of Austin vehicles registered last year was five times that of the next leading British make.

In China Austin sales have trebled. In Spain they have quadrupled during the past year (the Madrid Police Force and Spanish Army are now being equipped with Austin Sevens) and in New Zealand more than one out of three British cars in use are Austins.

To cope with this expansion of exports, which now represent more than 20 per cent. of the total production of Austin cars, factory representatives are located in all the leading overseas markets to maintain close contact with the worldwide organisation of Austin distributors.

CONTROLLING RECKLESS DRIVERS.

Approximately 12,000,000 of 27,000,000 motor vehicles in the United States and Canada are operating under the provisions of the safety responsibility law sponsored by the American Automobile Association, according to Owen B. Augspurger, president of the New York Automobile Club, which is affiliated with the national body. The high percentage of cars—25 per cent.—now under this or similar measures in 19 States and five Canadian Provinces shows, Mr. Augspurger added, that progress is being made in the direction of controlling reckless drivers.

HUGE LAWSUIT IN AMERICA.

Quarrel Over Patent Gear Change.

I understand that the most sensational lawsuit in the history of the motor-car industry is contemplated in the United States, writes Harold Pemberton, Daily Express Motoring Correspondent.

It concerns the master patent of an easy gear-change device. Millions of pounds will probably be involved.

At the moment motor manufacturers throughout the world are concentrating on providing cars with some methods of changing gears that is simple and, in fact, fool-proof.

At the Motor Show at Olympia there are hosts of such devices, in which the public has shown the keenest interest. Whatever happens in regard to the present controversy motorists will not be the sufferers, for the battle is purely a domestic affair.

One of the big American corporations alleges that a rival has infringed its master patent. This has been adopted under licence by numerous manufacturers throughout the world—British, French, Italian and German included.

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CARS RUINED BY CHEAP OILS.

Statistics of most service departments show that more cars are ruined by cheap oil than are wrecked in road accidents," says a statement issued by all the leading British motor car manufacturers.

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Hong Kong, 28th December, 1932.

GENERAL NOTICES.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a Meeting of the Board of Directors of Green Island Cement Company, Limited, held at Exchange Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 17th day of August, 1932, a Call of \$2.75 per share was made upon all the members holding shares, whose names appear in the Company's register of shareholders on the 17th day of August, 1932, upon which only \$1.00 per share has been paid, and it was determined that such Call should be paid on the 31st day of December, 1932, to the Company's Bankers, The Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their Head Office, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, aforesaid.

Upon presentation at the Office of the Company of Bankers' Receipt for the payment of such Call, together with the Certificate of Shares, a note of the payment will be endorsed on the Certificate.

Dated this 17th day of August, 1932.

By Order of the Board,
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BEER BILL ELUDED BY U.S. SENATE

Senators Don't Want
To Be Rushed.

WAIT FOR NEW YEAR.

Washington, To-day.
The Beer Bill and repeal of the 18th Amendment have been eluded by the Senate, and will not be considered until the New Year. The hopes of "Beer By Christmas" vanished long ago. Now there is no chance of beer for New Year's Eve.

Senators are in no hurry to consider these measures. They refused, by a vote of 48 to 23, to begin immediate consideration of a 3.2 per cent. beer legislation. "Wets" hopes were blasted then, with Senator Hiram Bingham's quashed.

Senator Bingham said he wanted action to get it over with. As a result of the rejection of his move for consideration, he expressed fears that the Senate will not get around to beer until February, and possibly not at all.

The Democratic organisation opposed Senator Bingham's attempt on the ground that the regular procedure of study by a committee was desirable. The vote was not considered a test by Senate leaders because many of those in favour of it thought it best for the measure to take its normal course.

The vote postponed Senate action until after the New Year. Both the Senate and House reconvened Tuesday, and the regular ten-day holiday recess, because of the press of important legislation was dispensed with.

Impatient Voters.
The observation made by somebody soon after the Nov. 8 election—"What, 48 hours and no beer yet!"—roughly represents the actual idea of millions of voters who expected the present Congress to be impressed by the election results that it would rush through a beer bill at the outset.

But many obstacles admittedly stand in the way of final action, notably the rules of the Senate which might permit a filibuster.

Mr. Borah Opposes.
Short of the difficult job of invoking closure, one or two stout opponents could easily set at naught the will of a majority of the legislators of both branches to rush a beer bill onto the statute books this winter.

Senator William E. Borah, Idaho Republican who wrote the 1928 prohibition plank in the Republican platform, has made it plain that he will oppose vigorously either mo-

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Charming Ceremony
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A pretty wedding was solemnised in St. Andrew's Church yesterday afternoon, the Rev. Walton Rogers officiating, when Miss Doris Puncheon, daughter of Mr. J. Puncheon and the late Mrs. Puncheon, was married to Mr. Robert Millar, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Millar, of "Sanghree," Rosewell, Midlothian, Scotland.

Miss Puncheon was given away by her father, and was attended by two bridesmaids, Miss Winifred Henderson and Miss Elsa Bell. Miss Joyce Crookdake was the flower girl.

The matron of honour was Mrs. R. J. Goodman while Mr. Leslie Cairnt fulfilled the duties of best man. Rupert Baldwin presided at the organ.

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The first sign of the approaching Chinese New Year comes with the announcement made by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, to the effect that they have received 40,000 five-cent pieces from the Hong Kong Treasury, for exchange purposes.

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The demand is caused by the ancient custom of the Chinese to enclose within each parcel and gift, one of the coins as a lucky omen.

Blockading Debates.
The author of that amendment, Senator Morris Sheppard, of Texas, and other prohibition leaders may be willing to make use of the privilege of unlimited debate to block action.

The difficulty with short or "lame duck" sessions is one of the lamest ever known, with some 150 ousted or retired Senators and representatives still voting—is that pressure of time before the fixed adjournment date, coupled with the urgent necessity of getting through a budgetary programme for the next fiscal year, increases manifold the temptation to filibuster.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 855 metres (845 K.C.'s):—

5-8 p.m.—European programme.

5-6 p.m.—A relay of the Reveller's Dance Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden by courtesy of the Management (During the intervals recorded music will be broadcast from the Studio).

6-7.40 p.m.—A programme of Victor & H. M. V. records.

6-6.23 p.m.—Operatic.

Song—

Trovatore—Fierce Flames are Soaring! (Verdi)

Samson et Dalila—My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice (Saint-Saens)

Louise Homer (Contralto) 1422.

Band—

Mefistofele—Prologue (Boito, arr. Creator)

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Song—

Rigoletto—Mid the Fair Throng (Verdi)

Don Pasquale—Fond Dream of Love (Donizetti)

Tito Schipa (Tenor) 1282.

6.23-6.50 p.m.—A Concert.

Song—

Margaret at the Spinning Wheel (Schubert)

Maria Jeritta (Soprano) 6704.

Piano Solo—

Variations on Themes from Carmen (Bizet-Horowitz)

Mazurka in C Sharp Minor (Chopin)

Vladimir Horowitz 1327.

Song—

Out of the Night (Lidger)

The Yeoman's Wedding (Poniatowski)

Percy Heming (Baritone) E437.

Violin Solo—

Gypsy Caprice (Kreisler)

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7 p.m.—(Closing Local Stock Quota-

tions, Selected London & New York Stock Quotations, etc.)

6.50-7.40 p.m.—Variety.

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Leo Reisman & His Orch. 24011.

Organ Solo—

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A programme will be presented, and will include a play, "Two Comic Soldiers," and fantastic dancing by the Chin Woo Athletic Association.

Reginald Foort B3324.

7.40-8 p.m.—From the Studio.

A Pianoforte recital by Mr. Frank Taylorson.

Programme.

1. Etude in C Sharp Minor (Scriabin)

2. Asphodel (Cyril Scott)

3. Night in May (Palmgren)

4. Clair de Lune (Debussy)

5. La Fille aux Cheveux de Lin (Debussy)

6. Valse Romantique (Debussy)

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

8.10-10.30 p.m.—Chinese Concert from the Studio.

10.30 p.m.—Rugby Mid-day Press News.

10.35 p.m.—Close Down.

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Hong Kong, Thursday, Dec. 29, 1932.

Reform From The Right.

It is natural, and absolutely right, that the present state of British politics should seem a golden opportunity for constitutional and political reforms which go far beyond the original case for a National Government. There are certain great problems which by common consent can never be solved by any one party single-handed. Indian self-government is one of them; disarmament, and with it the whole sphere of foreign relations, is another; the future of international finance and commerce is a third. The most obvious examples of these problems are not bounded by our own shores; but there are long-standing domestic controversies also which can only be settled by a large measure of consent. Among them beyond any question is that which has revolved intermittently for many years round the Reform of the House of Lords. In recent months a number of Conservative members of both Houses of Parliament have been engaged in formulating their views on this subject; and the result was unfolded to a large gathering at Westminster recently. To those who have followed the subject closely there may be nothing that is very novel about it. It deals, as it was bound to deal, with the whole of the two main aspects of a reformed Second Chamber—its powers and its personnel. In both cases it reaches conclusions which, in one form or another, have been familiar in earlier schemes. It is a little startling, perhaps, to find men like Lord Sumner and Colonel Gretton wanting women in the House of Lords and recommending payment of its members (with a means test). But these minor features of the Report only serve to emphasize its real interest—which is that it emanates from so unimpeachably Conservative a group of signatories as that over which Lord Salisbury presided. It will not, of course, win general acceptance as it stands. The further powers of delaying legislation which are suggested will hardly be conceded to the House of Lords if it is to be composed for all time in quite so anomalous a fashion as a compromise between the hereditary system and direct election by County Councils. If these powers are to be conceded at all—and their importance is not in question—then there must at least be some prospect that the Revising Chamber will in the end be reasonably logical and homogeneous. And the Committee wisely contemplate the method of nomination

as an alternative to that of election. To most of us that must seem an incomparably better choice in these days, when the limitations of popular election are becoming more and more widely recognized, and the real need of the State is to provide (in the words of the Bidding Prayer) a supply of "fit persons" for the growing burden of public service. The essential function of popular election is to represent conspicuously the broad tendencies of public opinion. Let it therefore remain the unchanged method of the House of Commons. Where it fails is that it will never with any certainty produce the individuals who are most required; and for this reason nomination—whether proportionately by the parties in the House of Commons or by successive Prime Ministers—should unquestionably be the ultimate claim to enter the House of Lords. The Government could make a beginning of reform at once by taking the simple power to recommend the creation of Life Peers, who are still absurdly limited to Judges. Their hands may well be too full for the moment to deal with the problem as a whole; but that is clearly one of their appointed tasks before they abandon office, and they should certainly be encouraged to face it by the remarkable progress of their extreme Right Wing.

Slimming.

With the growing popularity of the higher education of women it is only to be expected that influence of the Sibyl should increase. If you want something to be valued, teaches the Sibyl, and it is not valued as it should be, do not cheapen it by lowering the price but rather take a bold and disagreeable line and offer less and less for the same money. Her success with her book against so obstinate and typical a male as Tarquin the Proud is a matter of history, and small wonder if it is found to afford the practical justification for the slimming craze. Women who see how large and comfortable placidity has been imposed upon all through history, and who realize how the dignity of the sex suffers when there are more women anywhere than men, can plausibly argue that they have the best chance of being properly valued if they achieve, as individuals, a scarcity value, and take care not to be too much in evidence. In any case, slimming is firmly rooted to-day, and occasional announcements that the fashion is going to change, and that amplitude, as decreed by dressmakers and cloth spinners and the rest, is to come into its own, fail to achieve any tangible results. Now, to encourage women, there comes the judgment of the Paris Divorce Courts.

HERE. THERE and EVERYWHERE.

Wisdom from Disraeli. Mr. Baldwin's tribute to Disraeli, at the fiftieth anniversary dinner of the Primrose League recently, worthily maintained the oratorical standard of his speech in the Disarmament debate.

One was particularly struck by his statement that Disraeli, 90 years ago, uttered words which could be uttered to-day with no less force and truth. One is wondering whether Mr. Baldwin had any of the following utterances in mind:

England does not love coalitions.

I believe that without party Parliamentary Government is impossible.

As I sat opposite the Treasury Bench, the Ministers reminded me of those marine landscapes not unusual on the coasts of South America. You behold a range of exhausted volcanoes.

Your Daily Smile.

ORANG OUTINGS.

Apes in an American Zoo are taken for rides in the country periodically.

Paving the Way.

The average modern girl is preparing a fine past for people to talk about in the future.

SIMPLER.

We are told that in Siam creditors take the door of a debtor's house. Here they just take the house.

Hollywood Version.

"A marriage has been arranged, but by now has probably been dissolved, between, etc."

Facts You Did Not Know.

Japan's imports of aluminium have increased so rapidly in recent years that plans are under way for the construction of reduction plants near domestic ore deposits.

A magnetic sweeper has been invented to pick up bits of platinum wire dropped in factories where the wire is used in the manufacture of switchboard electric lamps.

Although Peru has two well known deposits of iron ore, that country's iron and steel products are made from metals imported in crude form.

A husband has been trying to get a divorce on the ground that his wife has been slowly and deliberately making herself into a living skeleton; whereas he had taken his marriage vows to someone "buxom and beautiful." He could not, he said, live with her any more, and he claimed the redress that anyone is entitled to who is given short weight. The Court, however, would not listen to him, and has ruled that a wife may amount to as much or as little as she pleases after marriage. It took, in short, an unsympathetic view, and certainly there does seem a case for the husband. It is a fallacy to think that slimming is economical. It leads to restlessness and a great need for furs and fires, and what is saved at the dining table is more than lost in these other directions. It is notoriously bad for the temper. These drawbacks are not outweighed by the small saving in rent that comes from being able to live in a smaller flat or house and the greater possibilities for cheap travelling and the smuggling of a slim wives past ticket collectors. Perhaps the Parisian husband would have fared better if his pleadings had taken a wider sweep and he had appealed to the sympathies of the bench—for Judges are an elderly crew—by alluding to the hardships that are the lot of the husband of a young and active wife. Judges like their ease and their arm-chairs as much as other men, perhaps more, or they would never have consented to so sedentary and static a way of life. Arguments which they could not accept when they turned on the person of the wife and her right to reduce might have prevailed when presented in wider terms and in defence of the stability of the home and the right of harassed husbands to armchair evenings and the life ruminative.

PILOTS OF LONDON

GUIDING SHIPPING IN THE THAMES

RIVER THAT TRADES WITH THE WORLD

(By HOWARD SPRING.)

Saturday is the great day to see the ships come down the river. Out of the docks and off the jetties they come at the first seaward lap of the ebb, and anyone who cares to be at Gravesend then will look upon as fine a procession, when all those ships race out to sea, as any dressed-up cavalcade by land could hope to show him.

Big ships and little, they come by their scores, flags flying, waves impatiently parted to starboard and to port, the little ones rocking in the wake of the big, and all, apparently, panting for the spaciousness and freedom of the open sea.

But one may be pardoned a doubt whether the crews aboard share in the apparent eagerness of their ships. All this rush and lively pother has a drab economic explanation, and the sailorman would give you that explanation with no mincing of his words. A ship at berth on a Sunday is an idle ship, and so things are stirred up with might and main to ensure that Sunday shall be spent in voyaging.

But though this economic necessity exists to be up and doing with all speed, the sailorman, like the soldier, takes to ryming his sorrows: and a ditty has come into my hands which bemoans the lot of those who man the ships making this gay and heartening rush from grey to blue water.

I have been unable to discover the author, but he will, I am sure, pardon my making public at least the last verse of the song that is sung in public-houses all down the reaches:

Please God, the gentle sailor
Will never know the pain
The managers must suffer
When their attempts are vain
To clear the ships each week-end
And get them off to sea,
For ships tied up on Sunday
Would spoil eternity.

I sat in the pilots' house on the Royal Terrace Pier at Gravesend, watching the passing of the ships, and thinking of fateful moments in the lives of three queens. For this pier, which used to be the Terrace Gardens Pier, gained the name Royal when Alexandra landed there on her way to London to meet her bridegroom. And it was a little higher up, at Greenhithe, that Victoria waited on the Royal Yacht for Albert; while right in front of us, across the river, is the field where Elizabeth addressed her words to the train-bands.

Democratic Institution. The pier has a democratic as well as a royal interest. It is owned by a company in which all the shareholders are pilots or pilots' children, and the committee of management is elected by the pilots themselves. They pay sixpence in the pound out of their gross earnings for the maintenance of the station and its cutters, and very efficient and very comfortable they have made their quarters here.

The mention of gross earnings reminds me how people go astray when they talk of pilots' incomes. There was excitement the other day when a pilot left thousands of pounds. It was overlooked that he had inherited most of it from his father, a tug-owner. A recent official return showed that the average gross earnings of 79 Channel pilots attached to the Port of London had been £1,327 in a year. But there are all sorts of heavy deductions to be made. Consider one: A pilot who leaves a ship in a French port pays his own fare home. The pilots, certainly, are not overpaid.

Their station at Gravesend is never empty. The big glass windows look up the Gravenend reach towards the city. Telescopes are lying about; sou'westers and oil-lamps hang ready on the walls. There is wireless to while away the time waiting; there are card tables and cosy bunks.

"Swapping" Pilots. This is the point—here at Gravesend—where the river pilot finishes his duty when he is bringing a ship to sea, and the sea pilot takes on, and where incoming ships are concerned. It is here that the sea pilot comes ashore and the river pilot goes abroad. The river pilots have their quarters on the other side of the pier.

So day and night, summer and

winter, the pilots watch on the Royal Pier. There are 77 of them for sea work and 85 for river work. A roster contains the names of the men on duty for the day; all the others are on the telephone, so that they may be called at need. There are also 43 pilots dealing with "exempt" ships: that is to say, ships which, for one reason or another, are exempted from the compulsion to carry a pilot but which, nevertheless, often take one as a reasonable precaution.

The Saturday procession of the ships means a busy time for the pilots, and what I most admired was the way the sea-pilots shot out in their cutters and got aboard without the ship slackening her way at all. It is the boast of the men at Gravesend that theirs is the only station in the world possessing cutters which permit the supply of a pilot to a ship under way.

One part of the training of a pilot is not easy to come by in these days for it is insisted that a pilot shall have been for not less than 12 months second mate of a sailing ship. And where are the sailing ships now that shall give that experience to all who want it? There is an old barquentine, the Water Witch, usually to be found plying with china clay between Fovey and the north-east coast, which is much sought after; but usually the experience has to be gained under foreign colours.

Rigorous Training. Altogether the pilot's training is rigorous. A man must be not less than seven years at sea before he is permitted to put down his name at Trinity House as a candidate. He must be a master mariner and must have acted as chief officer. In practice, most of the pilots at Gravesend have been in command of ships.

Until about 20 years ago it was not thought necessary that a river pilot should be a master mariner; but Trinity House insists on it now, and most of them not only hold the certificate, but have been in command.

Trinity House is the governing body of all British pilots; and I do not know any station save the one at Gravesend which has achieved so large a measure of self-government. True, Trinity House has its representative at the station. He is known as the Ruler of Pilots, and his function is purely disciplinary. He has no lot or part in the running of the station. In other stations the Trinity House representative is called the Superintendent of Pilots and his powers are much wider.

One of the river's most responsible jobs is in the hands of the brotherhood of freemen, perched there in their glass eyrie overlooking that crucial point which is the front door to London. They shepherd up and down the Thames the traffic of the world, the silks of the East and the grain of the West, tea from India, Baltic wood, Australian meat, South African fruit—the necessities and the luxuries from the places they all knew well—places that stir old memories in their minds as they twist their way along the tortuous channel while, spicing the familiar flavours of London river, there oozes through the hatches a hint of other suns and of strange merchandise blistering on tropic quays.

CHILD STRUCK BY TRAMCAR.

Three Chinese In Traffic Mishaps.

Three minor traffic accidents occurred yesterday, according to Police reports.

While a motor lorry was travelling along Lockhart Road, Wanchai, a coolie who was sitting in the lorry fell off, sustaining injuries to his head and face. He was sent to the hospital for treatment.

A similar spill occurred in Kennedy Town, where a coolie fell from a motor lorry while it was in motion. He also was injured about the head.

Knocked down by tramcar 68 in Des Voeux Road Central yesterday, a Chinese boy, aged 11 years, sustained internal injuries.

Happy New Year

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S.P.C.C. Elects Long List Of Officers

Mr. Hazlerigg Named Society Director

RECOGNITION OF FINE WORK

An appeal for the health of the young was made by Sir Shou-son Chow, who presided at the annual meeting of the Society for the Protection of Cruelty to Children, yesterday afternoon. Sir Shou-son spoke of the extension of the work of the Society and dealt highly on the Welfare Centre, which was started only seven months ago.

Sir Shou-son presided and seated around him at the presidential table were Hon. Mr. Shenton, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, Hon. Dr. S. W. Ts'o, Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, M.C. (Secretary).

On the motion of Mr. Shenton, the office of Director of the Society was created for Mr. Hazlerigg.

"There is a recommendation that I should like to make to the incoming Executive Committee. Our Honorary Secretary, Mr. Hazlerigg, was not only the de facto founder of our Society, but has been its mainspring ever since. I consider that the duties he performs call for a more imposing title than Honorary Secretary. In England the office holding a similar post in the Society which has the same objects as ours is called, 'the Director' and I suggest that a similar office should be created for Mr. Hazlerigg," said Mr. Shenton.

"It is my privilege to-day to second the Report and Accounts," he added. "It is somewhat invidious for me, the Chairman of the Executive Committee, to assume this role, but as so much of the real work has been done by our Honorary Secretaries and our Honorary Branch Secretaries, I have little diffidence in doing so."

"The year under review has been an interesting one because of the all round increase of our field of operations and by reason of the advance made by the Government of this Colony in the realm of Infant Welfare legislation. We hope soon to see the Juvenile Court sitting and special accommodation for young offenders whilst on remand. The new Factory Legislation is a step in the right direction and if judicially enforced must bring relief to many women and young girls."

"Indebted To School."

"We are much indebted to the St. Louis Industrial School and the Street Boys' Club for the assistance we have received and the good work they are doing and we look forward to welcoming the Silesian Fathers and their laudable effort in the interests of the youth of this Colony."

"Much good work is being done by the Hospital and Clinic of the Chinese Sisters at Shamshuipo and it has been one of our objects to assist them with Medical Stores and milk foods."

"The opening of the Government Welfare Clinic in Lockhart Road is a step in the right direction and we hope to see before long similar clinics in other parts of Victoria and at Kowloon. The use that is already being made of this Institution clearly indicates its necessity, and the appreciation it has met with by the poor people."

"Inestimable good work could be done for the youth of this Colony if the importance of infant welfare could be brought home to the proprietors of our Factories and Workshops. Special accommodation for the small children of the labourers during working hours would undoubtedly save many lives and alleviate much suffering. I believe it only requires a little propaganda in this direction to accomplish a great deal."

Government Duty.

"General unemployment will I feel certain cause us great concern in the coming year and some manner of Government organised relief will possibly be called for. What form it should take is a matter for Government enquiry and careful consideration."

"Turning now to the accounts for a few moments. They are satisfactory so far as they go, but if we are to meet the increasing demand that we find on all sides we shall require many more subscribers and a lot more donations. The Government have come forward with a generous offer on a dollar for a dollar basis and it behooves the community to take up the challenge and meet it in the spirit in which it was made."

"In conclusion, as I shall shortly

be relinquishing the Chairmanship of the Executive Committee, I should like to take this opportunity of thanking all the Officers of our Society for the useful and hard work which they have given us and the beneficial services they have rendered to the community. An appreciation of the work done by our Honorary Secretary Mr. Hazlerigg is well stated at the end of our Report and to this expression of our feelings I should like to add the names of the other Members of our Honorary Secretarial Staff, our Honorary Treasurers, our Honorary Auditors and our Inspectors.

"I should also like to thank the Members of the Executive Committee for their advice and assistance and the Members of the Medical profession for the large amount of voluntary medical work they have done for the Society."

"Lastly to all those who are interested in the lives of the little children of this Colony, I commend to their careful perusal our Report for the year and particularly the specimen cases."

"I have great pleasure in seconding the report and accounts."

Election Of Officers.

On the motion of the Hon. Dr. Ts'o, the following office-bearers for the forthcoming year were elected: President, the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow; vice-Presidents, Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C. M. G., Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K. C., Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Hon. Dr. S. W. Ts'o, O.B.E., honorary vice-Presidents, Sir Cecil Clementi, G.C.M.G., Mr. Wai Shu-pak, Miss G. A. Stephens; general committee, Chevalier J. M. Alves, Mr. A. el Arculli, the Rev. L. Banchio, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. J. D. Bush, Mr. Chan Heung-pak, Mr. Chan Lim-pak, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Dr. A. L. Dovey, Mr. V. M. Grayburn, Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, M. C., Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, O. B. E., Mr. Ho Kwong, Father D. Hourigan, Mr. Ho Sing-chau, Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Mr. Hung Hing-kam, Mr. Ip Lan-chuen, Dr. E. W. Kirk, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C. M. G., Mrs. Kotewall, Mr. Kwok Siu-lau, Mr. Leung Fat-yu, Mr. Li Hoi-tung, Mr. Li Jow-son, Mr. Li Yau-tsun, C. B. E., Mr. Li Yik-mui, Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. F. H. Loseby, Dr. A. McElney, Mr. J. L. McPherson, Dr. E. M. Minett, Mr. Mok Kon-sang, Mrs. Fred Mow-tung, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, Mr. Ng Wah, Dr. Phoon Seck-wah, Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K. C., Lady Pollock, Mr. J. T. Prior, Mr. E. M. Raymond, Mr. T. H. R. Shaw, Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Miss Shin Tak-hing, Rev. Dean Swann, Mr. W. N. Thomas, Mr. Tam Woon-tong, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, Mr. Tong Yat-chuen, Mr. Tse Ka-po, Hon. Dr. S. W. Ts'o, O. B. E., Mrs. S. W. Ts'o, Rev. R. H. Wells, O. B. E., Mr. E. Wong Tape, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Mr. Wong Mau-lam, Mr. Wong Tak-kwong, Miss Foon-ye Catherine Woo, M. B. E.; executive committee, Chevalier J. M. Alves, Mr. A. el Arculli, Dr. R. A. de Castro, Baste, Mrs. Blair, Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. Chan Lim-pak, Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Dr. A. L. J. Dovey, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, O. B. E., Mr. Ho Kwong, Mrs. C. E. Holmes, Father D. Hourigan, Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Dr. L. O. Hunter, Mr. Ip Fat-sui, Mr. Ip Lan-chuen, Dr. E. W. Kirk, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C. M. G., Mrs. R. H. Kotewall, Mr. Lam Yam-chuen, Dr. Li Shu-fan, Mr. Li Yau-tsun, C. B. E., Mr. Li Yik-mui, Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. G. P. de Martin, M. B. E., Dr. A. McElney, Mr. J. L. McPherson, Dr. E. M. Minett, Mrs. Fred Mow-tung, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, Mrs. A. Nicholls, Dr. Phoon Seck Wah, The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K. C., Lady Pollock, Mr. J. T. Prior, Mr. E. M. Raymond, Mrs. Shenton, Miss Shin Tak-hing, Mr. Tam Shau-hong, Mr. Tam Woon-tong, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, Mr. Tong Yat-chuen, Miss Watts, Mr. J. M. Wong, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin.

Hon. Treasurers, Mr. Li Hoi-tung, Mr. P. E. Barker, Hon. Auditors, Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming; Inspectors, Miss Seto Wai Sheung, Mrs. Perry, Miss Agnes Anderson and Miss Tam.

The offices of Chairman and vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee will be filled at the first committee meeting.

BISHOP TO BE ENTHRONED TO - MORROW

Picturesque Service At Cathedral.

MASSED CHOIRS GATHER.

The Right Rev. Ronald Owen Hall will be enthroned Bishop of Victoria in St. John's Cathedral at 5.30 p.m. to-morrow afternoon. His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., will be conducted by the Archdeacon of Hong Kong, the Very Rev. A. Swann, D.S.C., assisted by Archdeacon Mok of Canton, and other local clergy.

At 7.45 a.m. to-morrow Holy Communion will be celebrated in the Cathedral, when the Bishop hopes to be present.

At the service of enthronement the procession from the Cathedral Hall to the West Door of the Cathedral will be led by the United Choir, consisting of the Cathedral Choir, the Chinese Choir, and the choirs of St. Andrew's Church and St. Peter's Church. They will be followed by lay members of the Victoria Diocesan Synod and Victoria Diocesan Conference Diocesan trustees, Trustees of the Church of England, Deaconess and Lay Readers, Naval and Military Chaplains, The Archdeacon of Canton and the Dean.

After the service of preparation and the singing of psalm 122, the Bishop will kneel at the closed West door thrice with his staff. The door will be opened, and the Bishop will be received by the Dean, Archdeacon Mok, representatives of the Church Missionary Society and other clergy of the Diocese.

The Bishop will preach the sermon, at the conclusion of which the congregation will join in the Lord's prayer.

After the Blessing, the Bishop will lead his clergy and the choirs from the Cathedral, going before them to the West door.

Bishop Hall will celebrate the Holy Communion in the Cathedral at 7.45 a.m. on Saturday, and afterwards hopes to meet his people and address them at breakfast in the Cathedral Hall.

SUCCESSOR TO C.D.I. REYNOLDS TAKING OFFICE

Det.-Insp. Shannon In "Acting" Capacity.

HAS EXCELLENT RECORD.

Detective-Inspector William Shannon, who has been appointed Acting Chief Detective Inspector of the Hong Kong Police Force, owing to the departure on Saturday of C. D. I. Reynolds, joined the Police Force in November, 1912. He held the post of acting C. D. I. in October, 1928, and has had considerable experience in detective work.

In November, 1928, Inspector Shannon was commended by the C.S.P. for diligent work during the months of September and October, 1928, in the apprehensions of gangs of thieves, who were later either convicted or banished from the Colony.

He was granted the 4th class Police medal in March, 1929, for excellent work while in charge of the Guards Office.

In 1929 he was again commended by the C.S.P. for good work in connection with an armed robbery at 10 Castle Road, and later at 24 D'Algar Street on March 5. Perhaps his greatest coup, was made in December, 1929, when his good work led to the arrest of four members of a dangerous gang of armed robbers, who had committed four robberies, the seizure of four loaded revolvers, one loaded automatic pistol and the recovery of property to the value of \$852.41.

Inspector Shannon is a native of

Rooska Bantary, Cork, Ireland, and speaks Cantonese and Hindustani. He has a brother, Inspector Robert Shannon, who is also in the Police Force.

Commander H. L. Baker, Commander E. H. Caldwell, Engineer-Lieut-Commander Mauger, and Captain-Surgeon Rivers, were passengers who disembarked from the P. and O. s.s. Carthage yesterday afternoon on her arrival from Home.

To-Day's Short Story.

A MAN WITH BIG HANDS

By Stephen Phillips.

THAT night, oddly enough, Nobby was lying with his face turned towards the mirror. He didn't see the man's features—just a thick streak of black where the face should have been. But he saw the man's hand—big, enormous and deformed-looking.

That hand fascinated Nobby. He lay still as a mouse, scarcely daring to breathe, watching it glide across the bed with half-shut eyes. Indeed, the thought of that immense and horrible hand occupied Nobby's mind to the exclusion of almost everything else. He hardly troubled himself with the question of what the strange intruder was doing in his room at that hour of the night. Such a consideration seemed to be of secondary importance. It was the hand which worried Nobby—huge, shapeless, like some strangling hand in a sweating nightmare!

But Nobby was not dreaming then. He had never been more fully awake in his life. Yet no sound had reached him when the door was opened. Neither had his instinct warned him of the presence in the room. It was only the reflection in the dark glass which had flashed a sudden warning to his brain.

Then, with the silent movement of that reflection, he perceived another curious thing. The man—at any rate, he supposed it was a man—had only one arm. Nobby now could see the loose, dangling sleeve. The left arm was cut off from the shoulder.

Nobby felt the perspiration break out suddenly through the pores of his body. For an instant some strange, superstitious terror gripped at him, choking the breath in his throat. Wildly, in unnameable panic, he fought against it, struggling up, his lips parting to scream out

Personal Pars.

Capt. R. M. Giddy was among the passengers to arrive yesterday from Manila on board the Empress of Asia.

Dr. J. P. Fehly, Port Health Officer of the Colony, returned from Shanghai yesterday aboard the N.Y.K. s.s. Asama Maru.

Mr. James Muir was another passenger on board the liner Asama Maru which arrived in the Colony from Los Angeles yesterday.

Sub-Inspector and Mrs. Stewart Logan, and child, returned to Hong Kong yesterday on board the s.s. Carthage from Home leave.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. C. Taylor, and Mr. and Mrs. R. R. McEwan and infant, returned from Home leave on s.s. Carthage yesterday. Mr. Taylor is with the H.K. Police.

Mr. D. J. Esselon, horticulturist of the Department of Agriculture, South Africa, was a passenger on the s.s. Asama Maru which arrived yesterday.

Mr. F. K. Modi, secretary of the Parsee Charity Fund Association was a passenger on the C.P.S. Empress of Asia which arrived from Manila yesterday, en route to Canada.

Mr. D. K. Kharas, of the staff of Lane, Crawford Ltd., returned to the Colony on board the liner Empress of Asia from Manila yesterday. He was accompanied by Mrs. Kharas.

Mr. Hiroshi Ashino, Japanese Consul General at Hong Kong, accompanied by his wife, two daughters and son, arrived here yesterday aboard the liner Asama Maru, from Japan, via Shanghai.

Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, widow of the late President Roosevelt and mother of Governor Roosevelt of the Philippine Islands, was a passenger on board the Empress of Asia from Manila yesterday. She is on her way to the United States, after visiting her son.

The Rt. Hon. the Earl of Harrowby, accompanied by Countess Harrowby and Lady Frances Ryder, were among the passengers who arrived in the Colony on board the P. and O. s.s. Carthage from London yesterday afternoon. The distinguished party is staying at Repulse Bay Hotel.

against the horrible thing. But before he could utter a word he heard a soft, savage snarl—like some angry beast's—and something crashed down upon the top of his head. With a grunt he rolled over on his back, an utter, instant, blackness enveloping him.

When Nobby opened his eyes it was quite light. By the open window stood a square-faced man, with a bowler hat pushed to the back of his head and the black stub of a smoked cigar hanging at the corner of his mouth. Nobby lay gazing at him in silent, sullen defiance.

"Well?" asked the man in the bowler hat, in a lazy, amiable voice. "Feelin' better?"

Nobby's lips parted in a grin of sardonic humour. He had met Detective-Inspector Markham, of New Scotland Yard, before. Sometimes those meetings had been quite friendly ones, but not always.

TO-MORROW'S STORY.

To-morrow's short story will be "The Threepenny Piece," by James Stephens.

"It's no use trying to rope me in for that Notting Hill affair," Nobby informed him pleasantly. "I was meaning to take a hand in it, but at the last moment I decided to lay off. See?"

Markham pulled forward a chair and sat down beside the bed, his mild, twinkling blue eyes fixed on Nobby's face.

"How did you come by that bash over the head, Nobby?" he inquired casually.

Nobby twisted himself round in the bed and inspected himself in the mirror. His head was bandaged. It throbbed abominably. "Find out!" he growled. "I reckon I must have done that to myself in a nightmare or something!"

Markham grinned lazily. "Did you know," he asked, "that there was a murder done here last night?"

"Murder!" Nobby jumped as if he had been stung. "I say, you're kidding!"

Markham nodded. "Down there—in the street," he said.

Nobby looked relieved. "Oh, I see! I thought you meant—"

"It was done with an automatic pistol," Markham continued, in that lazy fashion of his, "with a patent silencer attached, I imagine; and the shot was fired from the window of this room."

Nobby's heart missed a beat. He lay staring up into Markham's bland, slightly inquisitive face.

"Good Lord, you're not trying to hang it on to me, are you? Who was it that got done in?"

"A girl," said Markham gently. "She was passing under the lamp-post beneath this window when the shot was fired; it went through her heart."

"I see," Nobby forced himself to speak calmly. "I reckon that just about puts me between the devil and the deep blue sea, as the saying goes."

"How's that?"

"Well, if I'd been on the Notting Hill affair last night—"

Markham's smile grew even more expansive—and mysterious.

"Thinkin' of the alibi, eh, Nobby? If you'd been in the Notting Hill district last night, you couldn't very well have been here? Well, that's true enough. But you needn't worry over that, my boy. We've got Shivery Joe and Tod Walker in cells now. Nabbed 'em both in the act. So that lets you off the Notting Hill affair, at any rate."

"Yes, and let's me in for something a damn sight worse!" said Nobby viciously. "I reckon you ought to know I never used a gun in my life!"

"I do," Markham agreed quietly, "otherwise I might be takin' you in right away, Nobby. That's just one point, though. I've got my own idea about who did the shootin' here last night. And I'm hopin' you may be able to help. For instance," he indicated Nobby's bandaged head—"I'd like to know how you came by that, my boy. I came up here an hour ago and found you. There was blood on the sheet. Jeeves—the police surgeon—did the dressing."

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SHAW HITS 44 IN 4 OVERS

GARTHWAITE CAUSES NAVY ANXIETY

BRILLIANT NAVY FIELDING

ARMY REQUIRE 29 RUNS TO SAVE INNINGS DEFEAT

(By Athole.)

GOOD length bowling by Lt. Garthwaite, brilliant batting by Lt. Comdr. Shaw, and superb fielding by the Navy side were the features of the first day's play in the Triangular Tournament game at the H.K.C.C. yesterday.

After losing 7 wickets for 68 runs the Navy were greatly indebted to a fine innings by Shaw, who hit up 83 out of 128 runs put on by the last three wickets. Included in his innings were fifteen boundary hits and a six. He actually hit Capt. Mirehouse for 44 runs in the course of four consecutive overs.

Brilliant catches by Mid Farnhill and Capt. Burnett were the features of the listless Army innings. At the close of play the Army with eight wickets in hand required 29 runs to save the innings defeat. The match is being resumed to-day at noon.

Marsham was sent in to open the Navy innings with Farnhill in the absence of Lt. Comdr. Shaw, who had to attend a naval review, and he soon lost his partner—only 9 runs being on the board when Flood took a catch from Farnhill off Garthwaite. That commenced the rot, and Garthwaite proceeded to display deadly form to take the first four wickets to fall. At one period of the innings he had the following figures:

O.	M.	R.	W.
14	6	28	5

four wickets to fall. Fortunately for the Navy Shaw arrived just prior to lunch when things looked really bad. He did not waste any time playing himself in, realising that action was required to save the rot which threatened. He was particularly harsh on Mirehouse, hitting the Army skipper's bowling for 44 runs in the course of 4 overs.

Shaw added 93 runs for the eighth wicket in partnership with Drew, the latter's share being 17, and when he looked set for a three figure innings he disappointed everyone by tamely tapping a ball from Garthwaite straight into Dewey's hands at second slip. It was a miserable poke to end such a glorious effort. Coming in when the score was 68 for 7 Shaw left at 184 for 9, his share of the 116 runs being 83, which included a six and fifteen boundaries. He was out to exactly the same shot at the K.C.C. on Boxing Day when he scored only one run.

GARTHWAITE 14 FOR 78. Garthwaite terminated the Navy innings when he brought off a good one-handed catch to dismiss Mid Bennett after that batsman had begun to show signs of aggressiveness. Garthwaite, after his 8 for 22 against the Club, returned the splendid figures of 24-9-56-6.

The Army commenced their innings even worse than their opponents, Trout and Davies being back in the pavilion with only 4 runs on the board, Yates securing both wickets. Garthwaite and Cragg added 24 runs for the third wicket before the former was brilliantly caught at fine leg by Farnhill for a stylish 16. Flood was in far too much of a hurry for his runs and was clean bowled for the addition of only two runs.

COLLEGE RUN OUT.

With College in the fifth wicket looked as if it might offer a stubborn front, but only 13 runs had been added when College hit a ball from Marsham straight to Thompson at mid on and called Cragg for a sharp single. It was College's call and he was half way up the pitch when Cragg sent him back for a certain run out. It was a misfortune for the Army as College looked as if he might have scored runs. Half the side out for 48!

Worse, however, was to befall the Army, for at the same time Cragg was beautifully taken by Burnett off Jemmett. It was a magnificent one-handed catch in the slips causing the Navy skipper to roll over on the turf still, however, clutching the ball. Cragg had played a dogged innings for 8 runs scored out of 39.

DREW'S TWO ERRORS.

Fortune, however, smiled on the Army when Mirehouse was badly missed by Drew off a skid near the wicket. Mirehouse had batted in a very subdued manner for almost a quarter of an hour without scoring when he lashed out at a shortish

ball from Eaden and should have been easily out, but to the astonishment of everyone Drew completely missed the ball after Burnett had given him the catch instead of Shaw. Profiting by his good fortune Mirehouse began to use the long handle, but it was not long before he made an identical shot to his first one, again off Eaden, and Drew again dropped him. Mirehouse was so confident of being caught this time that he was on his way to the pavilion when he was called by his partner for an overthrow. When the Army innings closed at 86 he was undefeated with 18 to his credit which included a six over the screens off the unfortunate Eaden. There were no fewer than 29 byes in the Navy total.

FINE FIELDING.

The figures of 5 for 13 returned by Jemmett flatter him. A left-hander, bowling a fast medium ball, Jemmett has yet to secure a command of length. Yesterday he was over-pitching on the leg side, and had Shaw, A. T. Lay or I. McInnes been opposed to him he would have been heavily punished. The ball that sent Young back to the pavilion with a "duck" was, however, a beauty.

Burnett managed his bowling in a splendid manner, only Marsham failing to take a wicket during the quick changes made by the Navy skipper. Burnett also set an excellent example in the field and received good support from the whole eleven, Farnhill and Bennett being outstanding.

Following on 110 runs in arrears with 45 minutes' play ahead Mirehouse reversed the batting order, opening with Marsden and himself. The pair added 29 before the former was snapped up behind the wicket of Jemmett for 19. Mirehouse, who was then 10, began to hit out and two sixes, both off Eaden, helped materially towards his total of 33 before he was smartly stumped by Shaw when attempting a big hit off Yates. He scored his 33 out of 71.

Garthwaite, who has hit five boundaries in his 27, will resume the Army innings to-day in partnership with Cragg (2). Play is scheduled to commence at noon.

Full scores were as follow:

NAVY.

Lt. Marsham, c Davies, b	11
Garthwaite	11
Mid. Farnhill, c Flood, b	3
Garthwaite	3
Lt. Eaden, c sub, b Garthwaite	4
Capt. Burnett, c Chaffey, b	10
Garthwaite	10
Sub-Lt. Donald, b Mirehouse	17
Pay. Lt. Comdr. Yates, b	17
Mirehouse	17
Mrs. Thompson, b Garthwaite	2
Lt. Comdr. Shaw, c Dewey, b	83
Garthwaite	83
Capt. Drew, run out	17
Mid. Bennett, c Garthwaite, b	16
Dewey	16
Mrs. Jemmett, not out	0
Extras (B29, LB4)	33
Total	196

Fall of the wickets:—1 for 9; 2 for 21; 3 for 22; 4 for 38; 5 for 58; 6 for 55; 7 for 68; 8 for 161; 9 for 184.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Garthwaite	24	9	56
Mirehouse	16	4	68
Flood	6	1	38
Dewey	13	0	8

(Continued at foot of next column.)

AMERICA WIN

Australian Tennis Stars
Lose Test 8 to 4.

McGREATH WINS.

AMERICA to-day won the second Lawn Tennis Test against Australia by 8 matches to 4 after winning the first by 8 matches to 2.

Vivian McGrath, the boy wonder of Australia and a two-handed player, recorded the only home win in the four matches played to-day. The following were the full results of the second Test.

Vivian McGrath (Australia) beat Keith Gledhill (U.S.A.) 6-3, 6-3. Wilmar Allison (U.S.A.) beat Harry Hopman (Australia) 6-8, 6-4, 6-0.

John Van Ryn (U.S.A.) beat A. D. Sproule (Australia) 6-3, 4-6, 6-3.

E. Vines and K. Gledhill (U.S.A.) beat J. Crawford and H. Hopman (Australia) 9-11, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.

EARLIER RESULTS.

John Van Ryn (U.S.A.) beat Vivian McGrath (Australia) 6-4, 6-2. Ellsworth Vines (U.S.A.) beat Jack Crawford (Australia) 6-3, 3-6, 6-3.

J. Crawford and H. Hopman (Australia) beat W. Allison and J. Van Ryn (U.S.A.) 3-6, 6-2, 11-9, 4-6, 6-3.

E. Vines and K. Gledhill (U.S.A.) beat A. D. Sproule and V. McGrath (Australia) 6-3, 9-7, 6-2. Harry Hopman (Australia) beat Ellsworth Vines (U.S.A.) 6-4, 1-6, 8-6.

Jack Crawford (Australia) beat Wilmar Allison (U.S.A.) 6-3, 6-4. Keith Gledhill (U.S.A.) beat D. Sproule (Australia) 6-3, 3-6, 6-3.

W. Allison and J. Van Ryn (U.S.A.) beat A. D. Sproule and V. McGrath (Australia) 6-4, 7-9, 6-3, 5-4.

—Router.

TAGGART CUP DRAW.

Ladies' Golf At
Fanling.

The following is the draw for the Taggart Golf Cup for Ladies to be played over the New Course, Fanling:—

Miss Curtin v Mrs. C. B. Brown. Miss Robinson v Mrs. Valentine. Miss Philpowsky v Mrs. Lissaman.

Miss Grahame v Mrs. Stafford Smith. Mrs. Rodgers v Mrs. Munro. Mrs. Roberts v Mrs. Syme Thomson.

Mrs. Sheldon v Mrs. Mackenzie. Mrs. Roffey v Mrs. Railton. The first round is to be played on or before January 7 and the final round by February 6.

Army—1st Innings.

B. M. Trout, c and b Yates	4
Cpl. Davies, lb.w., b Yates	0
Lt. Cragg, c Burnett, b Jemmett	8
Lt. Garthwaite, c Farnhill, b Jemmett	16
S/Sgt. Flood, b Jemmett	2
L/Cpl. Colledge, run out	9
Capt. Mirehouse, not out	18
Sig. Chaffey, b Yates	4
Pte. Dewey, b Eaden	5
Lt.-Col. Marsden, c Eaden, b Jemmett	6
Lt. Young, b Jemmett	0
Extras (B13, WB1)	14
Total	86

Fall of the wickets:—1 for 3, 2 for 4, 3 for 23, 4 for 30, 5 for 43, 6 for 43, 7 for 51, 8 for 71, 9 for 86.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
* Yates	11	3	20
Eaden	12	3	33
Jemmett	43	1	18
Marsham	3	1	10

Army—2nd Innings.

Lt.-Col. Marsden, c Shaw, b Jemmett	19
Capt. Mirehouse, st. Shaw, b Yates	83
Lt. Garthwaite, not out	27
Lt. Cragg, not out	2
Extras	0
Total (for 2 wks.)	81

Fall of the wickets:—1 for 29; 2 for 71.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Jemmett	5	0	18
Eaden	7	0	30
Burnett	2	0	8
Yates	4	1	11
Thompson	3	0	14

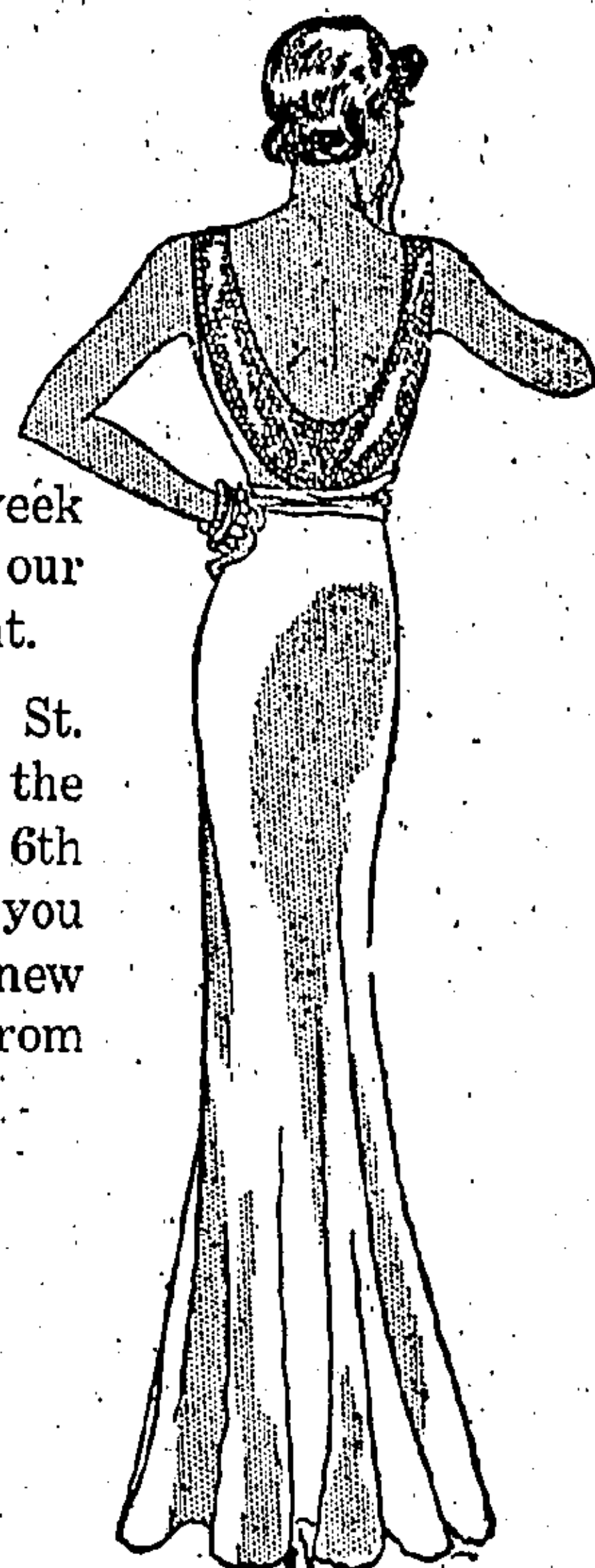
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MAMAK HOCKEY.

Ordnance Corps Sustain Tenth Defeat.

The Royal Army Ordnance Corps sustained their tenth defeat, without recording a victory as yet in the Mamak Tournament yesterday afternoon, when they were beaten by the Police by 4 clear goals at Sookunpoo. The Police led by the only goal scored at the interval. C. Pile, Pennell, K. Singh and Ghulam Mohammed netted for the Police.

Mamak Hockey Table

(Up to and including yesterday's games.)

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Radio	13	12	0	1	54	8	25
R.C. Signals	15	11	2	2	52	16	24
1st Bty. H.K.S.	10	9	0	1	46	9	19
R.A.S.C.	15	7	5	3	20	21	17
Midway	13	6	2	5	23	13	17
St. Andrew's	10	7	2	1	36	11	15
Incognitos	7	7	0	0	27	3	14
Police	8	5	1	2	17	10	12
University	9	5	4	0	17	20	10
Phoenix	9	3	3	3	16	17	9
12th R.A.	9	4	4	1	16	13	9
R.E.	14	4	9	1	15	32	9
R.A.M.C.	14	2	7	6	8	15	9
Wishart	5	3	2	0	10	15	6
Veteran	5	2	3	0	4	7	4
Tamar	10	1	7	2	10	24	4
Parthian	5	2	3	0	10	13	4
24th R.A.	7	1	5	1	7	21	3
20th R.A.	7	1	5	1	3	15	3
German Club	10	2	8	0	8	37	4
R.A.O.C.	11	0	10	1	0	36	1
K.I.T.C.	12	0	11	1	6	47	1
8th Destroyers	2	0	1	1	3	5	1

MARINES WIN AT SHOOTING.

Defeat R.A.O.C. By Eight Points.

A shooting match took place at Stonecutters Range yesterday between the Royal Marines of H.M.S. Tamar and the Royal Army Ordnance Corps.

Scores:—

	Royal Marines.	R.A.O.C.
Capt. Burgess, R.M.	18	18
Clt. Sgt. Branton	17	17
Sgt. Dyble	22	22
Cpl. Spray	15	20
Marine Terry	20	18
Marine Wilhows	20	21
Total	245	253

R.A.O.C.

Sgt. Major Anderson	17	19	15	51
St. Sgt. Farquhar	18	22	17	57
St. Sgt. Clarke	22	23	18	63
Sgt. Chapelle	18	23	24	65
Sgt. Emery	19	22	20	61
Sgt. Smith	12	12	16	40
Total	837			

H.K.C.C. 2ND XI.

The following will represent the Hong Kong Cricket Club 2nd XI at Sookunpoo on Saturday in a League Match against the Royal Artillery:—

C. E. Gahagan (Captain); A. K. Mackenzie, H. J. Armstrong; C. W. E. Bishop, R. R. Davies, A. H. Harbord, L. D. Kilbee, R. J. D. Lowe, R. S. W. Patterson, C. B. B. Sargent and C. A. Wright.

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TODAY

BILLIARDS.

Open Championship.
Sgt. Buckle v A. H. Oswald
(St. Patrick's Club 8.30 p.m.)

CRICKET

Triangular Tournament.
Army v Navy
(H.K.C.C. ground 11 a.m.)

TOMORROW

BILLIARDS.

Steel, Coulson League
Police v Garrison Sergeants
Palace Hotel v Borderers
Royal Engineers v C. & P. O. Club
Royal Artillery v St. Patrick's

HOCKEY

Friendly Match
H.K.H.C. "A" v Lincolnshire
(King's Park 5.15 p.m.)

SATURDAY

CRICKET

Triangular Tournament
Hong Kong C.C. v Navy
(Hong Kong C.C. ground)
Kowloon C.C. v Army
League II
Civil Service v R.A.S.C. (L).

FOOTBALL

First Division
South China v Kowloon
St. Joseph's v Police
Borderers v Royal Artillery
Recreio v Chinese Athletics
Lincolns v Club

Second Division
Eastern v Ewo
Club v Kowloon
St. Joseph's v Borderers
South China v Chinese Athletics
Royal Artillery v Lincolns
Navy v Taung Tsai

Third Division
Royal Air Force v University
Chinese Athletics v South China
RUGBY
H. K. Rugby Club v Navy
(Happy Valley 4 p.m.)

SUNDAY

CRICKET

University Past v Present
MISCELLANEOUS
Kowloon Cricket Club Children's Sports.

RACING
Fauling Hunt and Race Club
Steepchase Meeting (Kwanti).

MONDAY

BILLIARDS.

Open Championship.
Cpl. Cottle v Pte. Baker
(St. Patrick's Club 8.30)

CRICKET

Triangular Tournament
Hong Kong C.C. v Navy
(Hong Kong C.C. ground)
FOOTBALL
Charity Match
Services v Chinese
(Sookunpoo 4 p.m.)

Third Division
R.A.S.C. v University
HOCKEY
Friendly Match
Hong Kong Hockey Club seconds
v Radio Sports Club
(Caroline Hill 5.15 p.m.)

SPORT PAGE

MR. W. E. HOLLAND'S RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

Mr. G. T. May Acting Secretary
For H. K. F. A.

Mr. W. E. Holland, the Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Football Association has received a reply from Major Manners, O.B.E., accepting his resignation from the post of Hon. Secretary of the Association.

The matter will come up at the next meeting of the Football Council, and, in the meantime, Mr. G. T. May, one of the members of the Football Council will take over the duties of Mr. Holland.

Soccer Personalities

Mak Shiu-hong.

(Chinese Athletic)

SECURING a place in a Chinese football eleven at the age of 19 Mak broke all records, being easily the youngest player to participate in first-class football.

He began his football career four years ago in the Chung Shan School, and during 1928 he took part in several friendly matches outside the school games. Last year he joined the Eastern Athletic Association's second team in order to play in the Summer League and so distinguished himself that the Chinese Athletic manager signed him on for the Athletic.

Early this year Mak and Suen Kam-shun, also of the Athletic, were invited by the South China A.A. to complete their team to tour Java. He again proved his boundless ability and on his arrival back in the Colony he was persuaded to join the Kuen Wah Athletic Association of Canton team which was making a tour of Java, Singapore and the Philippines.

He plays inside right for the Athletic's premier team, though he shows up quite as effectively at inside left when the occasion demands.

—A. E. L.

'SUNDAY HERALD' CUP FINAL ON APRIL 15.

Full Statistics Of Games.

The Final Round of the Sunday Herald Charity Cup will be played on the Club ground on April 15 when England will be opposed to China.

The following have been the results of the Cup games and the goal-scorers:—

Results.

First Round:
Portugal 5 Scotland 3
Semi-Final:
China 6 Portugal 0
England 8 Wales 4

Goal-Scorers.

Ip Pak-wa (China) 2
Suen Kam-shun (China) 2
Tam Kong-pak (China) 2
Duncan G. (Scotland) 1
Gosano B. (Portugal) 1
McGuinness (Scotland) 1
Hill (Scotland) 1
Rocha (Portugal) 3
Gosano A. (Portugal) 1
Farde (England) 1
Purkins (England) 4
Bryant (England) 1
Ridley (England) 2
Davis (Wales) 1
Jones (Wales) 1
Duncan (Wales) 1
Harris (Wales) 1

ATHLETIC STAR RETURNS.

Tao Kwai-shing, the Chinese Athletic Association footballer, has arrived back in the Colony by Tjisadane from Shanghai. The Association, it is believed, are preparing a reception for the well-known player.

South China Weakened For Encounter Against Kowloon

Artillery Clash With Borderers In Holiday Programme

THE first division of the Hong Kong Football League will once again be in full swing this week-end when five games are down for decision.

The match of the day—and if its promise is fulfilled we may come to regard it as the classic contest of the season—is to be staged at Caroline Hill, the home of South China, and the scene of many a historic struggle in the league division.

It is safe to say that none of the great duels of the past transcended in interest in Saturday's game between South China and Kowloon, the conquerors of the Chinese Athletic.

Kowloon will be at full strength, the half back line being strengthened by the return of Bliss, and this is their first meeting with South China this season.

Kowloon, it will be remembered, sprang a big surprise when they deservedly defeated the Athletic in an epic struggle on the Kowloon ground a fortnight ago, and on Saturday South China are fielding a weaker team owing to injuries, but the latter should commence the game warm favourites.

Another classic struggle which will provide excellent football is the clash between the Borderers and the Artillery. The Gunners are at the head of the First Division, but they will have to look to their laurels, as the Borderers are also hot on the trail of the championship.

Six Second Division games and two Third Division games will also take place, thus completing one of the biggest week-end soccer programmes, during the last two months.

The following are the fixtures for Saturday and Monday:—

SATURDAY.

FIRST DIVISION.

South China v Kowloon (Caroline Hill 4 p.m.)
St. Joseph's v Police (St. Joseph's 4 p.m.)
Borderers v Artillery (Chatham Road 4 p.m.)
Recreio v Athletic (Recreio 4 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION.

Eastern v Ewo (Kowloon 2.30 p.m.)
Club v Kowloon (Club 2.30 p.m.)
St. Joseph's v Borderers (St. Joseph's 2.30 p.m.)
South China v Athletic (Caroline Hill 2.30 p.m.)
Artillery v Lincoln (Sookanpoo 2.30 p.m.)
Navy v Tsung Tsin (Kowloon 4 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION.

R.A.F. v University (Recreio 2.30 p.m.)
Athletic v South China (Athletic 2.30 p.m.)

MONDAY.

THIRD DIVISION.

R.A.S.C. v University (St. Joseph's 2.30 p.m.)

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Artillery	9	7	0	2	23	14	14
St. Joseph's	9	6	1	2	19	9	13
Borderers	8	5	1	2	19	9	11
Lincoln	8	5	1	2	23	12	11
South China	7	5	1	1	25	9	11
Navy	9	4	0	5	16	18	8
Club	8	4	0	4	18	15	8
Athletic	7	2	2	3	21	19	8
Kowloon	10	3	0	7	22	22	6
Police	7	2	0	5	14	21	4
Recreio	9	0	0	9	5	57	0

SECOND DIVISION.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Athletic	13	11	2	0	45	9	24
Borderers	12	10	0	2	43	13	20
Lincoln	12	9	2	1	40	14	20
Artillery	12	6	2	4	32	23	14
South China	12	6	1	5	27	24	13
Navy	11	5	2	4	31	21	12
Ewo	12	5	2	5	38	18	12
Tsung Tsin	12	4	3	5	22	26	11
Kowloon	12	2	2	8	18	50	6
St. Joseph's	11	2	1	7	17	30	5
Eastern	10	0	0	10	11	9	2

THIRD DIVISION.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Borderers	12	10	1	1	54	16	21
Lincoln	11	10	0	1	47	15	20
St. Joseph's	11	7	2	2	42	13	16
R.A.S.C.	11	7	1	3	35	11	15
Athletic	11	6	1	4	27	23	13
South China	11	6	0	5	18	22	12
Radio	11	6	0	5	22	25	12
R.A.F.	10	4	1	5	21	19	9
Signals	10	4	0	6	16	24	8
Recreio	12	3	0	9	22	32	6
R.E.	10	3	0	7	17	31	6
University	10	1	1	8	14	17	3
Taihook	11	0	1	10	10	61	1



SUEN KAM-SHUN.

R.A.F. APPEAL DISMISSED BY H.K.F.A.

Three Players Suspended
For Misconduct.

FIGUEIREDO CAUTIONED.

The following misconduct cases came before the Emergency Committee of the Hong Kong Football Association yesterday evening, two other cases being remanded on account of the Chinese offenders being away in Canton.

1. Lam Tak-po, who was ordered off for dangerous play in the game between the Lincolns and the Tsung Tsin, was suspended for two weeks.
2. Figueiredo of the Recreio, who was reported for dangerous play against the Signals on November 28, was severely cautioned.
3. Himbury of the Royal Engineers, who was ordered off for violent conduct in the game against South China on December 3, was suspended until the end of the current month.
4. Whitfield of Kowloon, who was reported for striking an opponent in the game against the Tsung Tsin on December 3, was severely reprimanded and suspended for two months from the date of the incident.
5. The appeal by the R.A.F. relative to the alleged playing of overtime by the referee in their Third Division League game against the Lincolns on December 3, the extra period giving the Lincolns enough time to score another two goals which gave them victory by 5 goals to 4, was dismissed.

KOWLOON PLAYER GIVES R.A.M.C. VICTORY

Witch Eliminated in
U.S. Junior Shield.

WATKINS SHINES.

THE Royal Army Medical Corps qualified to meet H.M.S. Sandwich in the second round of the United Services' Junior Shield when they defeated H.M.S. Witch at Happy Valley yesterday by the odd goal in three.

Enjoying much more of the play, the Medicals were a superior side to their opponents, but were very weak in front of goal, especially in the opening half when they pressed continuously but failed to drive home their advantage.

Watkins, the Medicals pivot, was the thorn in the side of the Witch, for he broke up numerous attacks with good tackling and distributed the ball well. Nelems, in the centre, lacked support from his inside men, but overcame this with some good dribbling.

For the Witch, White was outstanding, his height serving him well, while Allport and Bertshaw were the best of the forwards.

Opening strongly the Medicals bombarded the sailors goal; Wells missed a glorious opportunity and Fulton brought off some smart saves from Nelems and King. The Witch broke away and were awarded a penalty for "hands," but Allport hit the bar with his shot.

Crossing over the Medicals opened the scoring when Nelems beat three players to shoot into the net, Fulton only partially saving.

Good work by Jones resulted in Nelems scoring a second point. The Witch tried hard to reduce the lead and were rewarded when White netted after a goalmouth scramble.

H.M.S. Witch:—Fulton; Yelland, Coleman; Crapp, White, Barnes; Livesey, Allport, Bertshaw, Ainer and Anderson.

R.A.M.C.:—Cossar; Goulty, Patterson; Hall, Watkins, Trainer; Wells, King, Nelems, Cunningham and Jones.

ARTILLERY BEAT SUFFOLK BY ODD GOAL

United Services' Senior
Shield.

CORNWALL MAY ALSO REACH
THE FINAL.

OWING to the festive season Naval and Military football has been practically at a standstill this past week. In the Garrison League the 24th Battery, R.A. were due to meet the 12th Battery on Tuesday, but owing to 12 Battery players participating in the Sunday Herald Cup match, this game was postponed.

The R.A. did not have such an easy match with the Suffolk in their United Services' Senior Shield tie as was expected, and were held to an odd goal victory. Ablely led by Lt. Lochley the Suffolk men had the Gunners on the defensive during the opening stages, and had the centre forward been better supported, the Artillery would have probably been a goal or two down at the interval.

On the resumption, however, the Artillery recovered and soon took the lead when Moore scored. Illot must be the most unfortunate custodian in the Colony. He was again injured, and had to retire for a time, but returned to bring off a number of splendid saves. Peacock, a one-time Navy forward, equalised for the Suffolk when he went through the Gunners' defence on his own. Defences dominated until practically the last minute of the game when Seal sent Wood away to score the winning goal for the Gunners.

To reach the final, the Gunners have now to dispose of the Hermes, while in the top half of the competition, the Cornwall and Medway are in the semi-final. The Cornwall may spring a surprise on the submarine ship, as they have quite a useful side. On Boxing Day they were well worth their two nil win over the Suffolk in the China Football league game.

JONES LEADS LEAGUE GOAL-SCORING LIST WITH 17 TO HIS TALLY

FIRST DIVISION		SECOND DIVISION		THIRD DIVISION	
Jones (Borderers)	17	Matthias (Borderers)	14	Simmons (Club)	1
Tam Kong-pak (S. China)	12	Lo Hung-chung (Athletic)	12	Sharp (Club)	1
Bryant (Artillery)	11	Hardy (Artillery)	11	Lai Kong-lai (Ewo)	1
Gosano B. (St. Joseph's)	10	Chow Yiu-fai (Ewo)	11	Tang Tim-kau (Ewo)	1
Nelems (Kowloon)	9	Morris (Borderers)	10	Chow Yiu-fai (Ewo)	1
Ho Ka-kuen (Athletic)	9	McGuinness (Lincoln)	10	Ng Fook-leung (Ewo)	1
Wong Mee-shun (S. China)	8	Hamblyn (Borderers)	9	T. W. Sang (Ewo)	1
Mak Sul-hon (Athletic)	7	Lo Chai-wan (Athletic)	9	Ho Yin-lin (Ewo)	1
Harding (Lincoln)	6	Frearson (Artillery)	9	Lau Tang-kun (Ewo)	1
Johnston (Police)	6	Yung Kin-po (Athletic)	8	Sul Kin-chol (Athletic)	1
Davis (Borderers)	5	Au Ping-ming (Ewo)	8	Fung Kwong-lung (Athletic)	1
Moore (Artillery)	5	Chadwick (Navy)	6	Ho Chi-wing-yu (Athletic)	1
Kirkham (Lincoln)	5	Purkins (Navy)	6	Fung Lok-lung (Tsung Tsin)	1
Gosano A. (St. Joseph's)	5	Kam Cheung-lam (S. China)	6	Chan Ka-ping (Tsung Tsin)	1
Purkins (Navy)	5	Malpas (Lincoln)	6	Wong Sul-sam (Tsung Tsin)	1
Dominic (Club)	5	Hocquard (Lincoln)	6	Wong Yuk-sam (Tsung Tsin)	1
Harris (Borderers)	5	Au King-fung (Ewo)	6	Thong Po-hing (Tsung Tsin)	1
Wood (Artillery)	4	Lakeman (Borderers)	6	Ip Wai-lam (Tsung Tsin)	1
Webb (Kowloon)	4	Williams (Club)	6	Ho Shi-yu (Tsung Tsin)	1
Hill (Kowloon)	4	Ho Yung-tin (Ewo)	6	Ng Shik-wai (S. China)	1
Baldry (Lincoln)	4	Snooks (Artillery)	5	Ng Po-kai (S. China)	1
Ridley (Lincoln)	4	Evans (Lincoln)	5	Yeung Shu-yick (S. China)	1
Lee Wai-long (S. China)	3	Higgins (Lincoln)	4	Yeung Poon-hon (S. China)	1
Gough (Artillery)	3	Barnes (Lincoln)	4	Lai Sul-wai (S. China)	1
Pie (Police)	3	Watson (Club)	4	Chan Wing-ko (S. China)	1
Howe (Club)	3	Cheung Koon-sang (Athletic)	4	Wong King-chun (S. China)	1
Sizer (Navy)	3	To Wai-hang (S. China)	4	Greenhills (Artillery)	1
Channings (Borderers)	3	Pau Ka-ping (S. China)	4	Stanton (Artillery)	1
Duncan (Borderers)	3	Santos (St. Joseph's)	4	Hopkins (Artillery)	1
Bake (Kowloon)	3	Sayer (Navy)	4	E. M. Omar (St. Joseph's)	1
Malpas (Lincoln)	3	Watt (Navy)	4	Guterres (St. Joseph's)	1
Higgins (Lincoln)	3	Pritchard (Borderers)	3	Eastman (Kowloon)	1
Stephens (Police)	3	Warnes (Navy)	3	Cheung Fat-lo (Eastern)	1
Strange E. (Club)	3	Lai Hong-hi (Ewo)	3	Lin Tin-chol (Eastern)	1
Santos (Recreio)	3	Shek Pin-tin (Athletic)	3	Sze Po-wai (Eastern)	1
Gomes (Recreio)	3	Olu Shuk-yan (Tsung Tsin)	3		
Gonsalves (Recreio)	3	Tam Tak-po (Tsung Tsin)	3		
Usher (Navy)	3	Leung Yin-yick (S. China)	3		
Davies (Navy)	3	Ng Po-kim (S. China)	3		
Leung Tat-wing (S. China)	3	Webb (Kowloon)	3		
Leung Wing-fat (S. China)	3	Wallace (Borderers)	3		
Ip Pak-wa (S. China)	3	Rece (Borderers)	3		
Lu Tok-ki (Athletic)	3	Purcell (Borderers)	3		
Chan Kwong-lu (Athletic)	3	Wong Chee-kam (Ewo)	3		
Lo Chai-wan (Athletic)	3	Wong Chai-pau (Ewo)	3		
Lai Kwok-chiu (Athletic)	3	Chan Cheung-chun (Athletic)	3		
Suen Kam-shun (Athletic)	3	Chan Kwang-kwan (Tsung Tsin)	3		
Pardoe (Artillery)	3	Mok Yin-sang (Tsung Tsin)	3		
Walker (Artillery)	3	To Wai-yick (S. China)	3		
Raiton M. (Club)	3	Discombe (Artillery)	3		
Duncan G. (Club)	3	C. White (Kowloon)	3		
Hynes (Club)	3	Hast (Kowloon)	3		
Fowler (Club)	3	Phillips (Kowloon)	3		
Souza (St. Joseph's)	3	Pickford (Kowloon)	3		
Leonard (St. Joseph's)	3	Duffield (Kowloon)	3		
Sabhan (St. Joseph's)	3	O. Yin-lin (Eastern)	3		
Fallister (Borderers)	3	Clayton (Lincoln)	3		
McKevie (Kowloon)	3	Belts (Lincoln)	3		
Eastman (Kowloon)	3	Forley (Borderers)	3		
G. White (Kowloon)	3	Johns (Borderers)	3		
Williams (Police)	3	Williams (Borderers)	3		
Cornwall (Police)	3	Elgie (Navy)	3		
Forest (Police)	3	Davis (Navy)	3		
Ribeiro (Recreio)	3	Marlin (Navy)	3		
Rocha (Recreio)	3	Taylor (Navy)	3		
Rawson (Navy)	3	Parsons (Navy)	3		
Robinson (Navy)	3	Murrell (Navy)	3		
Mongar (Navy)	3	Smith (Navy)	3		
		Bryant (Navy)	3		
		G. Duncan (Club)	3		
		Boyd (Club)	3		
		Sloan (Club)	3		
		Hynes (Club)	3		

RANGER'S FORECAST



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FIRST DIVISION	
Arsenal	v Birmingham
Aspin Villa	v Middlesboro
Blackburn	v Chelsea
Blackpool	v Wednesday
Derby	v Leeds
Everton	v West Bromwich
Huddersfield	v Portsmouth
Manchester C.	v Sunderland
Newcastle	v Bolton
Sheffield U.	v Leicester
Wolves	v Liverpool

SECOND DIVISION	
Bradford	v Preston
Bury	v Port Vale
Charlton	v Tottenham
Chesterfield	v Burnley
Fulham	v Bradford C.
Lincoln	v Notts C.
Notts F.	v Grimsby
Plymouth	v Oldham
Southampton	v Millwall
Stoke	v Manchester U.
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A MAN WITH BIG HANDS

(Continued from Page 7.)

"How d'you know the bullet was fired from my window?" demanded Nobby resentfully.

"Easy Nobby. Matter of angle—and direction. Jeeves soon worked that out. The bullet was fired from your window. You can take my word for that. Care to talk now?"

"What the blazes d'you think I know about it, then? Just because I've done one or two stretches for burglary and housebreaking—"

"Don't get all heated up, Nobby. I'm not tryin' to plant it on you. I give you my word about that. But who was the particular kind of a friend you had in here last night?"

Nobby was silent, staring up at the ceiling. Markham sat motionless, that lazy smile still on his lips.

"It may have been a man, 'Nobby blurted out suddenly, 'but to my mind it was nearer a monster—or a devil!"

"Come, come!" snapped Markham, his amiability slipping from him. "Don't let's have any talk of monsters and devils and things of that kind! What was the man like? Did you see him clearly?"

Nobby shook his head.

"I only saw his reflection in the wardrobe glass," he replied, a trifle sullenly. "It was pitch dark in here. I'd been lying awake for hours. I suppose, thinking out—well, that doesn't matter, anyway. I didn't even hear the door open or any sound at all. But suddenly—I was looking into the glass, you see—I saw a shape moving across the room. It was blurred—the face was, anyway. I couldn't see what it was like—the face, I mean. It was just a black blot. But I could see the form underneath it all right. And one of the hands."

Nobby stared at Markham's intent face. "I thought I was having bad dreams at first. It was such a huge hand—an enormous hand. I don't reckon I've ever seen such a hand before in my life—not on a man, anyhow. And it didn't seem to have any shape in it, either. The fingers were just like blobs—at least two of them were. It—it was like a hand, about five times as big as an ordinary person's that had been smashed—or crushed out—or something like that! I was just getting ready to let rip when I got this bash over the head—and—that's about all I remember!"

Markham was silent for a while. He sat with his eyes fixed in a level stare upon the wardrobe glass. Then:

"You don't make use of this bed very often—not at night, I mean?"

Nobby jerked himself up in bed, a snarl twisting his lips.

"What the hell d'you mean by that, curse you! If I don't choose to sleep here at nights, what's that got to do with you—or any others of your perishing crowd?"

Markham's face grew suddenly grim.

"That'll do, Nobby. No abuse, if you don't mind. What I was trying to get at—well, it should be perfectly obvious to you. Whoever it was who came here last night was under the impression that you would be out, as usual. Probably they'd been keeping you timed and indexed for days."

"But what did they choose this room to go to and do a murder for?" demanded Nobby, seethingly. "There are plenty of empty rooms about, aren't there? What—"

"No doubt there are, Nobby—but not in this street, I fancy."

"This street? What's that got to do with it, eh?"

"Quite a lot, I think," Markham leant forward slightly. "Look here, Nobby, you've given me your confidence, and I don't mind returning the compliment. The girl who was murdered last night was one of David King's dupes."

"King? Never heard of him!"

"Perhaps not, but he's one of the swiftest forgers in Europe to-day—and the States as well, I reckon. For years he's been up against the British and Continental police, but so far he's proved himself a darn sight cleverer than either of them. But the oddest part of the matter is that no one has ever seen David King in the flesh. We haven't even been able to get a description of him. That's one of the reasons—the chief one—why he's been able to snap his fingers at us so long. But we're a patient, hard-working lot, as you probably know, Nobby."

Markham grinned good-naturedly—and for the last few months we've been tryin' to card-index the various people King employs in his game. One of them was this girl, Jenny Golding—quite a pretty, innocent little kid to look at, but—underneath her looks—David King was wise, I reckon. He knew the

girl would squeak sooner or later—and then his game would be played out for good and all. And King doesn't mind takin' a chance when his own safety's at stake. He's proved that before. So, you see, he probably arrived at the conclusion that this girl would be better out of the way."

"So you think it was this David King who came here last night—and gave me this bash over the head, eh?"

"I think it's highly probable," assented Markham cautiously. "At any rate, it's about the only clue we've got to work on at present. Just a moment, Nobby!" The inspector rose and went to a table, carefully taking from it a small tin box, painted black. "See this?"

Markham held the tin box towards Nobby.

"No, don't touch it! Just take a look at it—this way! Tell me what you see."

"Finger-prints!" Nobby ejaculated. "Plain as Punch! Whose are they, though?"

Markham bent slightly. "The finger-prints of the man who came into this room last night," he breathed.

Nobby stared at the tin box in fascination. The impression upon it was quite visible to the naked eye—immense, splayed-out, grotesque.

"The girl was carrying this box when she was shot," Markham explained. "Perhaps she had just left King. Perhaps it was King himself who came here last night. Perhaps he is the man with the enormous hands."

Nobby made no reply. He was staring at the impression with puzzled eyes.

"It was full of cheques and forged notes," Markham added, carefully replacing the tin box. "It looks to me as if King had knocked over some ink and got the stuff on his hand. The girl was going to get rid of the forgeries, probably. King chose this room for the deed he contemplated. He's clever. He knew that we should find out where the shot had come from. He waited until she got under the lamp—full in the light—and then—"

There was a queer expression on Nobby's face.

"Which hand did you say had made that impression?" he asked. "Left or right?"

"The left," Markham said. "Why?"

Nobby gave vent to a queer little laugh.

"Why?" he echoed. "Well, because the man who came into this room last night hadn't got a left hand at all! The arm was cut off at the shoulder!"

It was the third night after the murder of pretty Jenny Golding that Nobby saw the figure on the blind. It was ten o'clock at night, cold, with a bleak wind blowing down Hill-street, which lay squalid and black—and empty—beneath him. That was one of Hill-street's idiosyncrasies—its emptiness when night came.

Nobby had turned, match in hand, to light the lamp on the table—and then, suddenly, he seemed to freeze. Through the window, which was open at the bottom, he could see practically the whole length of Hill-street.

And, a hundred yards down the street towards the river, a light had sprung up in one of the windows. The blind was drawn instantly—and, for just the fraction of a moment, upon the drawn blind, Nobby saw the shadow of a man. A man whose left sleeve dangled loose and empty at his side—a man whose left arm was cut off at the shoulder. An instant, that was all—and then the figure was gone.

Nobby did not move for quite a while. In the darkness, when the match had gone out between his fingers, he could hear the swift

hammering of his heart. Then, like a madman, he turned and made a dash for the street—and the nearest call-box.

It had started to rain—a thin, saturating drizzle—when the taxi drew up to the kerb at the upper end of Hill-street. From it, a cigar glowing between his lips, stepped the tall, burly form of Detective-Inspector Markham. Nobby was waiting in the darkness.

"This way!" he breathed, grabbing the detective's arm.

There was a thin streak of light beneath one of the doors. The inspector stepped towards it, turned the handle and looked into the room, with Nobby peering across his shoulder.

By the small table in the middle of the poorly furnished room a man was sitting—a man whose left arm was cut off at the shoulder. He made no movement save that his eyes became fixed upon them with a cold, hard glitter.

Markham stepped quietly into the room.

"Your name is David King, I believe?" he said.

The man at the table did not reply for a little while.

He seemed to be thinking. Then: "You're making a mistake, Inspector. My name is Rivers—Arthur Rivers."

The voice was smooth, with calm menace underlying it.

Markham flushed slightly. He knew that he was taking a risk. If the man at the table were telling the truth—

The one-armed man rose slowly. His hand began to creep stealthily towards his hip pocket. In an instant, then, Markham had leapt across the room, his two hands fastening like bands of steel about the man's wrist.

"No, you don't! Got a gun, eh? Nobby, just feel in that pocket!"

Nobby drew out a gun, a small automatic, and laid it down on the table.

Markham pointed to a chair. "Sit down!" he snapped. "Three nights ago a young woman, by the name of Jenny Golding, was shot dead in this street. I'm making some inquiries into the case. I warn you that anything you say will be taken down and may be used in evidence against you. Are you quite willing to tell me what you know?"

"Perfectly," assented David King, with an elaborate yawn—"seeing that I know nothing whatever about it, Inspector."

"You recognised me just now?"

"Oh, yes! Why not? I've seen your photo in the illustrated papers."

Markham took a "charcoal" pad from his pocket and placed it on the table before King.

"You've no objection to having your finger-prints taken, I suppose?" he suggested.

"Why, not at all," said King, with a sneer. "Do you intend to put them in your museum of curiosities, Inspector?"

He placed his huge, shapeless-looking hand upon the pad, and Markham gave it a swift, gentle press, swiftly transferring it to the sheet of white paper he took from his pocket. But he had known what the result would be long before then. The impression was huge, splayed-out, grotesque—but it was nothing like the impression upon the black tin box.

But Markham was a dogged individual. He drew pen and paper across the table.

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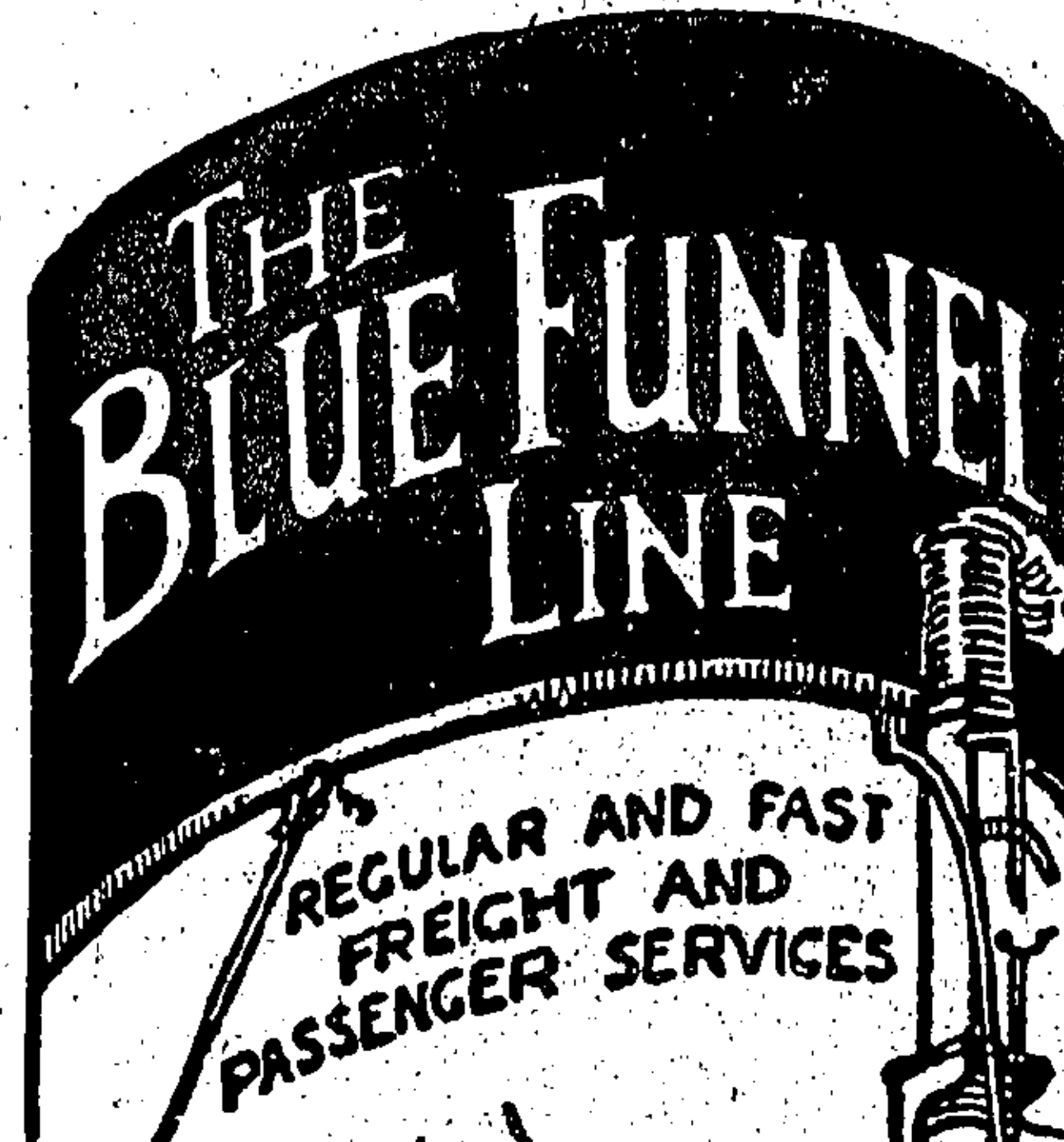
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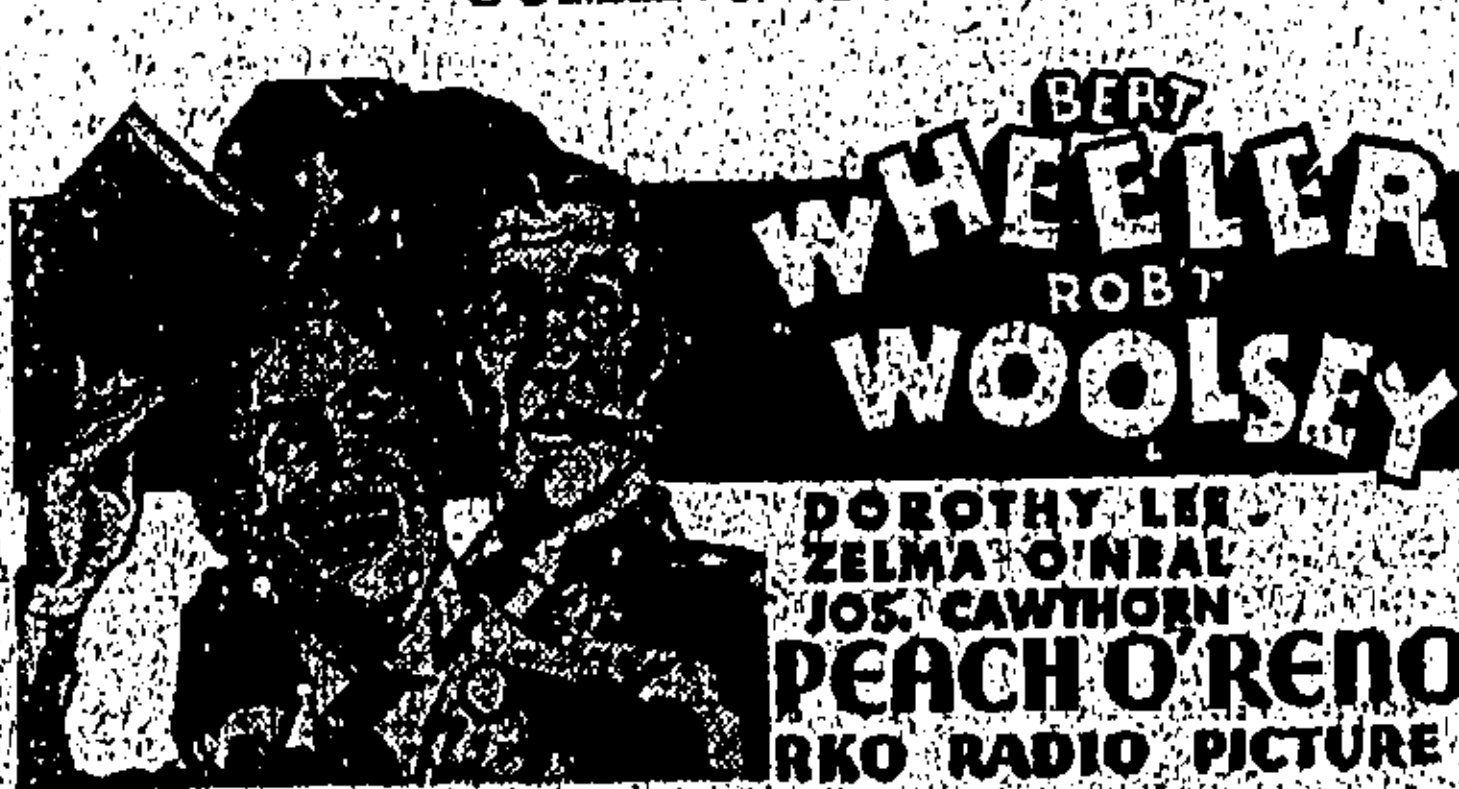
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A Man With Big Hands

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"Write 'The Rise and Fall of the Roman Empire,'" he ordered. King did so, leisurely, a cold, mocking smile upon his lips. The inspector picked up the paper and examined the handwriting minutely, comparing it with the writing on the forged notes. There was scarcely one point of similarity between the two.

Markham stood there, frowning, biting angrily at his lower lip. He felt sure now that the man before him was David King, one of the greatest forgers of all time. But—the fellow was so fiendishly clever! Why, even the automatic Nobby had just taken from him was not the one which had fired the fatal bullet! Markham knew that. He was far too practised in the knowledge of firearms to have any doubt of it at all.

"How did you come by your injuries?" he asked suddenly. "How long ago is it since you lost your arm?"

"Ten or eleven years now, I should imagine," responded King, with a little shrug. "I received my injuries in a train smash in France. Is there any other little matter upon which I can have the pleasure of enlightening you, my dear inspector?"

With a sudden savage wrench Markham pulled the table away from between them, his eyes fixed upon the floor. King's face went livid.

"Take off your boots!" ordered Markham.

With a muttered curse King lurched towards him, that huge horrible hand raised to strike. Markham made a quick snatch at the automatic, holding it in his hand.

"Sit down," he repeated, his voice hard and fierce, "and take off your boots, King."

The latter hesitated a moment, glancing round the room. Then, with a savage little laugh, he flung himself into the chair and began to unlace his boots.

"Your socks as well," Markham growled at him. "Quick, I'm losing patience, King! That's better! Now, take the pen—and write!"

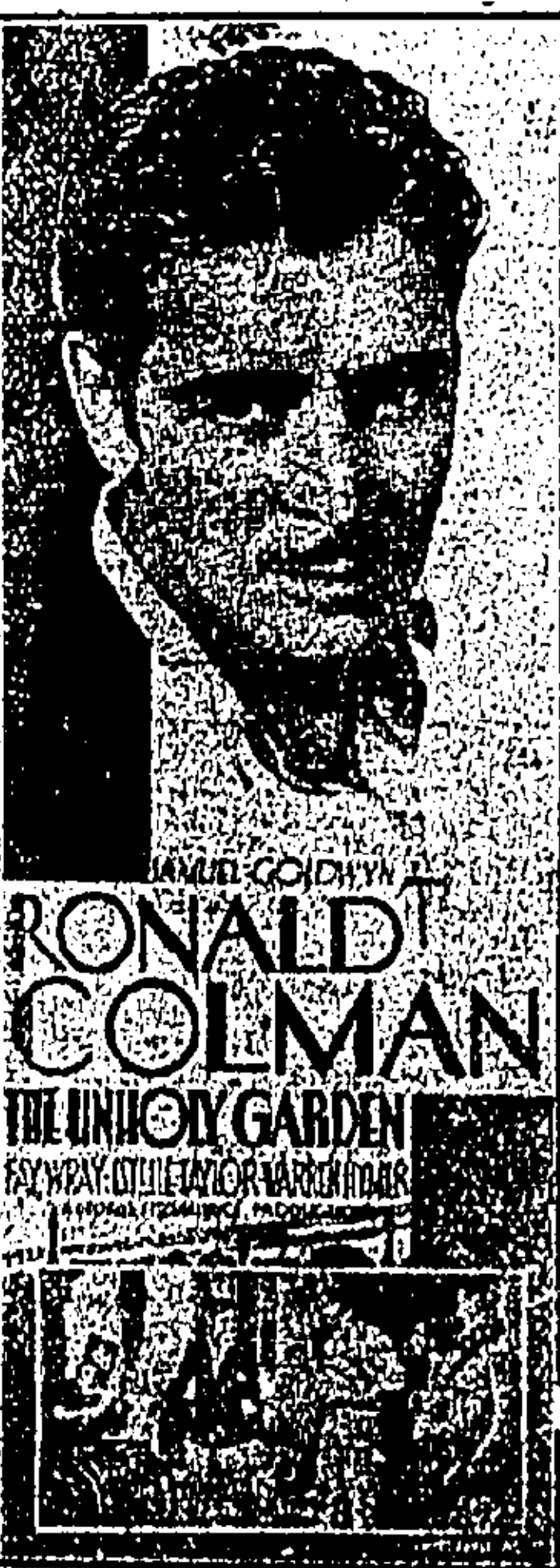
Markham stooped swiftly and thrust the long green penholder between the other man's toes.

"Write!" Markham growled. "Write! Any damn thing you like!"

Then the thing seemed to happen so suddenly that both Markham and Nobby were taken utterly by surprise. King's hand came up holding something. It struck the lamp with a startling crash. Instantly the room was plunged into darkness. Markham had made a swift leap forward, but he only struck the chair, tripping and falling across the floor. From the doorway, suddenly, flame spat. Nobby cried out, clutching at his shoulder. He heard King rush out upon the landing. At the same instant Markham came through the doorway. The two men clutched, went crashing back against the banisters, which instantly gave way. Something heavy went hurtling down into the darkness beneath.

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"For God's sake, strike a match!" said Markham.

In the dim light they made their way down the stairs. King had picked himself up. He turned and fired point blank at Markham as the latter sprang at him from the bottom of the stairs. Markham fired twice, almost blindly, just as the match went out again. They heard a stifled groan and the sound of King dragging himself along the passage towards the street door.

Markham was flinging words across his shoulder as he groped his way towards the street.

"It first struck me when I looked at his feet and saw how big they were! After that accident of his, King must have found that his hand was too clumsy for the work! No doubt he practised it while he was lying flat on his back—in some little French hospital! Picking things up with his toes—lighting matches—things like that! And then the idea occurred to him that if he could do that with his feet, why not train himself to use a pen also! That's how the impression of his foot came to be on the tin box Jenny Golding had that night! King must have been forging a signature—or writing of some sort—and used the tin box for a table for his work!"

A match flared in the passage. Nobby held it to the gas-jet above his head.

Markham, his face rather white, had gone forward to the street door. David King lay with his head almost touching it, dead.

Nobby was pointing to the passage floor. All along the passage towards the door, were those huge, splayed-out, grotesque impressions—the impressions of feet twisted and deformed in that terrible train wreck of years ago—impressions that were like those made by some abnormal and horrid hand.

THE END.

STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. Burdwan left Singapore for this port on December 24 at 4 p.m. with the outward English Mails; and is due here to-day at about 5 p.m.

The P. & O. s.s. Kaisar-I-Hind left Shanghai for this port on December 27 at 3 p.m., and is due here to-morrow at about 7 a.m.

Overland China Mail.

A WHOLE WEEK'S NEWSPAPERS IN ONE.

The matter of aviation, formation of a flying club, the waterworks scheme and the currency question were among the matters discussed by Sir Samuel Wilson, Permanent Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, during his six-day stay in the Colony. Interviewed immediately before their departure, Sir Samuel and Lady Wilson said they were greatly impressed with Hong Kong. "We think it is a most beautiful place," said Sir Samuel, "and what impresses me particularly is the rapid structural development that has been made. I can safely say that Hong Kong compares very favourably with other British Colonies."

The departure is fully reported in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

A serious motor smash occurred on Christmas night in Victoria Road, when Gunner C. Ball, stationed at Mount Davis forts, was gravely injured through being thrown from a car when it struck a tree.

He was returning to barracks from a picture house with two companions in a hired car when the driver is alleged to have failed to take a bend properly, and the car, cutting across the road-way, ran into a tree.

A full story is given in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

"A good Christmas" was the general anticipation in the leading stores of the Colony on December 24. Managers were optimistic and stated that business, on the whole, was brisk. Business is not at a standstill by any means," declared the manager of the leading Chinese departmental store in Hong Kong. "Although figures are not better materially we have spent much in the interest of the customers who are thronging the departments."

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A deputation representing various trade unions which was received by the Cardiff City Council complained that the Great Western Railway Company were operating Cardiff Docks to the detriment of the city and that trade was being diverted to other ports. The Council was urged to take action.

Mr. George Smith, of the National Union of Railwaymen, said that Cardiff had lost its portion of the coal export trade and was in danger of becoming an insignificant little port because of the policy of the Great Western Railway Company.

One dock had already been closed, and it was now proposed to close another. Reduced facilities were driving shipping to the north-east and Scottish ports. In 1914 Cardiff Docks had 65 coal-shipping appliances and 42 berths. Now they had only 27 appliances and 15 berths, and it was proposed to reduce them further. Cardiff, said Mr. Smith, had been made the cockpit of economy.

The Lord Mayor indicated that informal representations had already been made to the company. His suggestion that a special committee should deal with the matter and also consider the company's reply before a deputation from the city sent to the company's headquarters in London was agreed to.

HONG KONG TIDES.

The time used is Standard, or mean time of the meridian of 120 deg. E. 100h. is midnight, 12hrs. is noon. The heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be added to the depths given on the chart unless preceded by an asterisk (*), when they should be subtracted from the depths.

Date	High Water Standard Ht. Times.	Low Water Standard Ht. Times.
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	19 35 4.8 03 30 0.5	
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Major-General Borrett was met by Major-General Sandilands and two General Staff Officers, and proceeded to Flagstaff House.

Major-General Sandilands leaves for England on Saturday aboard the P. and O. s.s. Kaiser-I-Hind.

CHINESE ATTACHED NEAR FANLING.

While walking along the railway line on Monday night, between Fanling and Sheung Shui, Cheung Wo, 22, an employee at the Volunteer Stables was attacked by two men and two women. They are alleged to have produced knives and injured him about the body.

He was sent to hospital but his condition is not regarded as serious. Revenge is believed to be the motive for the attack.

FINE RETURNED TO COMPRADORE SHOP.

Verdict Registered For Inaccurate Scales.

The case in which the Hung Cheung Compradore shop of 66 Nathan Road, made an application before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy for the re-hearing of the case in which the proprietor, Mr. Lee Wai-tang was fined \$100 for using an inaccurate pair of Chinese scales, came to a conclusion this afternoon when His Worship found the defendant guilty of possession of the scales but found that no evidence of "using" had been proved. The fine was ordered refunded, but the conviction was upheld.

Mr. J. A. Fraser, Assistant Attorney-General, prosecuting on behalf of the Crown, said the defendant firm was one of three or four well-known compradore shops in Nathan Road. In fact he dealt with the defendants himself, he said. At the time when Inspector Marks visited the shop, there were two accurate European scales and one Chinese scale, which formed the subject of the charge. The defendants dealt largely in tinned and bottled provisions, and had a large European and Chinese clientele.

BUSINESS BRISK IN NEW YORK.

Rails Show Best Improvement.

New York, To-day. Business was well up to average on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday, 1,600,000 shares being dealt with.

In their daily market report, Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Company state: "With a broadening of the market it developed a mixed tone and apparently considerable switching is under way. Chemical stocks, particularly Allied Chemicals, are recommended; also issues of the American Can, Continental Can, and Consolidated Gas, particularly on small recessions."

Industrials, rails, utilities and bonds show an upward trend, but only in a very slight degree. Rails showed the biggest rise, improving .45 to 24.69.—Reuter.

NUDISTS PLAN OLYMPIC MEET IN HONG KONG.

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"The Hong Kong Government, according to the dispatch, has taken no action towards suppressing the Society so long as it practices its cult behind closed doors. Which may, of course, interfere with the proposed track and field meet of the nudists."

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